



The Sunday Steward

The weekly parish bulletin for The Church of Saint Ann, Lawrenceville, NJ
and the Saint Michael Campus, Trenton, NJ

January 17, 2010 - SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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THE SACRAMENTS

Sunday Eucharist: Saturday Vigil: 5:00 PM; Sunday: 7:30, 9:30, and 11:00 AM and 12:30 PM **Saint Michael Campus:** 9:00 AM and (Slovak) 10:00 AM

Daily Mass: Monday, Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday at 8:00 AM; Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday at 7:00 AM

Holy Days: As listed in the bulletin.

Liturgy of the Hours and Communion Service: Monday and Friday at 7:00 AM.

Baptisms: First and third Sundays at 2:00 PM and at Baptism Sundays scheduled throughout the year. *Baptism Preparation:* Second Tuesday of the month at 7:30 PM in the FDC. Parents are encouraged to attend this session early in the pregnancy. Baptisms are scheduled after participating in the session.

Marriage: Ideally, couples planning to marry at Saint Ann should contact the Parish Office one year in advance so that they may complete the necessary marriage preparation process. Please set date with Church before making other plans.

Penance/Reconciliation: Saturday from 4:00 to 4:45 PM in the Daily Chapel or anytime by appointment.

Anointing of the Sick/Communion to the Homebound: Please notify the Parish Office when serious illness occurs or when the sick, aged, or incapacitated are confined to home for an extended period. Arrangements can be made to bring communion to those unable to get to church. In an emergency, call the Parish Office anytime. **Nighttime emergency phone number is (609) 882-6491 (press 1).**

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA) RCIA is the process by which adults become full, active, participating members of the Catholic Church. This includes receiving the sacraments of **Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist.** Please call the parish office for information.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM Parish Religious Education Program for children (CCD) meets Sundays (**kindergarten and special education**) from 11:00 AM to 12:00 noon and Sunday, Monday, and Tuesday from 6:30 to 7:45 PM **Phone (609) 882-1212. Religious Education Office:** Located on the second floor of Saint Ann School. **Office Hours:** Monday through Thursday, 9:00 AM to 12:00 NOON

SAINT ANN SCHOOL, 34 Rossa Avenue, Lawrenceville, NJ 08648: Saint Ann School has provided quality elementary school education for *over forty years.* It also sponsors extended day and afterschool programs. The preschool program serves children aged three to four years. **Phone (609) 882-8077 Fax (609) 882-0327**

PARISH OFFICE HOURS Located in the **Faith Development Center.** (Entrance behind Church/opposite Saint Ann School.) **Parish Office Hours:** Monday, Thursday and Friday 9:00 AM until 4:00 PM; Tuesday and Wednesday 9:00 AM until 8:00 PM; Saturday 9:00 AM until 12:00 noon; Sunday 9:00 AM until 3:00 PM; and by appointment. Call anytime in the case of an emergency.

PARISH BULLETIN Information for the bulletin needs to be received at the Parish Office by 3:00 PM **on Friday of the preceding week.**

Save time by e-mailing items for consideration to maryann@churchofsaintann.net. Thank you!

DAILY LITURGY

For the Week of January 17, 2010

A LETTER FROM CHRISTINE

SUN., Jan. 17
 7:30 AM Stephen Plumeri by *People of the Parish*
 Mary Butler by *Ann Carman*
 9:30 AM James E. Murphy, Sr. by *Wife and Family*
 James Sassman by *Alicia Sassman*
 11:00 AM **PEOPLE OF THE PARISH**
 12:30 PM Ann and Joseph Bielamowicz by *Bernard Foyuth*
 Rev. Msgr. Thomas J. Frain by *A Grateful Parish*

ST. MICHAEL
 9:00 AM Vincent and Veronica Krisak by *Divo and Ronnie Brun and Family*
 Frank J. Rasimowicz by *Dolores and Joseph Fenelli*

MON., Jan. 18
 8:00 AM Diana Delli Gotti by *Sister-In-Law Raffaella Delli Gotti*
 Stanley Ruthkowski by *Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Pasquito*

TUES., Jan. 19
 7:00 AM Annuciata and Luigi LoRe by *Theresa and Angelina*
 Jack Murphy by *O'Rahilly Family*

WED., Jan. 20
 7:00 AM Edward Andrzejewski by *People of the Parish*
 Sister Vincent by *Sister Margaret*
 8:00 AM Barbara Montgomery by *Franklin and Salma Popovich*
 Frank Rasimovicz by *Jim Daly*

THURS., Jan. 21
 7:00 AM Vincent Ragolia by *Dick McKeever*
 Vincent Ragolia by *Lawrence Council 7000 Knights of Columbus*

FRI., Jan. 22
 8:00 AM Paul Rush by *People of the Parish*
 Jack Armstrong, Sr. by *Jean Cotterell*

SAT., Jan. 23
 8:00 AM Rose Adams by *People of the Parish*
 Charles Connell, Sr. by *John A. Butler*
 5:00 PM Caryn Wilson by *Carmen, Curt, and Carissa Wilson*
 Vincent Ragolia by *Albert and Carol Carmignani*

SUN., Jan. 24
 7:30 AM Carl Campbell by *People of the Parish*
 Joseph Vito Franceschini by *Pietra Leonardi*
 9:30 AM Teresa Smith and Joe Nadler by *Peg Wadler and Family*
 John Bartolino by *Daughter Joyce*
 11:00 AM Vince Ragolia by *Carol Southard*
 Vince Ragolia by *Barbara Holko*
 12:30 PM **PEOPLE OF THE PARISH**

ST. MICHAEL
 9:00 AM John Pacela by *Dennis and Vicki Rosato*
 Deceased Members Legion of Mary Members by *Mary, Queen of the Angels Jr. Praesidium of Saint Ann's*

We regret any misspellings in the Mass intentions.

Dear Parishioners,

Last weekend we held the Generations of Faith Program. This is an intergenerational faith formation program open to the entire parish. The theme this year is "Uniquely Catholic". Together we learn about what makes us Catholic and why we say and do some of the things that are included in our liturgies, our prayer services, and our daily lives.

Over 320 people of all ages join together six (6) times each year to learn and share faith. This past weekend we looked at the Nicene Creed. Using the Catechism of the Catholic Church, we investigated the meaning of some of the passages we recite each week. Many participants commented that this exploration helped them to better understand the creed they profess, and affirm why they believe it. This deeper look at the creed made it easier to stand firm in their faith.

While the adults and teens were pouring over scripture passages and discussing and presenting their observations, the children were actively learning about the Trinity. Using circle diagrams, colored water experiments and song, the three Persons in one God were taught. In another session, a bright colored banner with the Creed and some explanations as well as common symbols of our faith were presented.

Each Generations of Faith Program includes a meal, with time for social interaction, age appropriate learning sessions, time for sharing what we have learned, and a closing prayer service. We invite you to our next Generations of Faith Program in March where we will explore the Corporal Works of Mercy. The dates are March 7 and March 21 from 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm, March 20 at 9:00 am to 12:00 pm and 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm. Come and see what everyone is talking about!

You will also see in this bulletin a reference to the **Women's and Men's Retreats** to be held on **Saturday, February 6 and Saturday, February 13, 2010**. This retreat is sponsored by the Generations of Faith Program in response to a desire to go deeper in faith formation. It is **OPEN TO ALL PARISHIONERS**, not just Generations of Faith participations.

Please join us to explore "Ordinary Catholic Women" and "Ordinary Catholic Men". *We hope you will be inspired.*

"Ordinary" blessings,
 Christine Barranco



JANUARY 17, 2010 - SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SUNDAY, January 17, 2010

- **Offertory Envelope Distribution (Before/After All Masses) - Gallery of Light**
- **Adult Confirmation Instruction 9:45 AM - American Martyrs Room**
- **Baptisms 2:00 PM - Church**
- **Evening Prayer for Christian Unity - 7:00 PM Church**

MONDAY, January 18, 2010 - Martin Luther King Day

- **Offertory Envelope Distribution - Gallery of Light**
- **Saint Ann School - CLOSED**
- **Saint Ann Parish Office - CLOSED**
- **Miraculous Medal Novena/Benediction (Immediately following the 8:00 AM Mass) - Chapel**
- **Saint Vincent de Paul Society - 7:15 PM - Msgr. McCorristin Room**

TUESDAY, January 19, 2010

- **Offertory Envelope Distribution - Gallery of Light**
- **Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 12:00 Noon until 7:00 PM - Chapel**
- **Divine Mercy Holy Hour 3:00 PM - Chapel**
- **Building and Grounds Committee - 7:00 PM Pope John XXIII Room**
- **RCIA 7:00 PM - American Martyrs Room**

WEDNESDAY, January 20, 2010

- **Offertory Envelope Distribution - Gallery of Light**
- **Youth Choir Rehearsal 5:00 PM - Sister Thea Bowman Music Room**
- **Adult Choir Rehearsal 7:30 PM - Sister Thea Bowman Music Room**

 **Climate Change**

To learn more about how climate change and poverty are connected, visit Catholics Confront Global Poverty at:

www.usccb.org/globalpoverty or www.crs.org/globalpoverty

THURSDAY, January 21, 2010

- **Offertory Envelope Distribution - Gallery of Light**
- **Prayer Shawl Ministry 10:30 AM - Pope John XXIII Room**
- **Junior Legion of Mary 3:00 PM - Bishop Fulton Sheen Library**
- **Praise and Worship Band 3:00 PM - Sister Thea Bowman Music Room**
- **Holy Hour for Life 7:00 PM - Chapel**
- **Green Committee 7:30 PM - Msgr. McCorristin Room**
- **Saint Ann Novena 7:30 PM - (Saint Michael Campus)**
- **Saint Jude Novena 8:00 PM - (Saint Michael Campus)**

FRIDAY, January 22, 2010

- **Offertory Envelope Distribution - Gallery of Light**
- **Confirmation Preparation Group Session - Grade 7 - 6:30 PM - Pope John Paul Community Room**

SATURDAY, January 23, 2010

- **Offertory Envelope Distribution - Gallery of Light**
- **Respect Life Ministry & Knights of Columbus Abortion Clinic Prayer Witness 7:30 AM until 9:30 AM - Princeton Women's Center, 29 Emmons Drive, Windsor**
- **Vigil Mass 5:00 PM - Church**

SUNDAY, January 24, 2010

- **Offertory Envelope Distribution (Before/After All Masses) - Gallery of Light**
- **Youth Group 5:00 PM - American Martyrs Room**
- **Confirmation Preparation - Grade 8 - 6:30 PM - Pope John XXIII Room and Dorothy Day Room**

The Church of Saint Ann offers an accessible worship space with power assisted doors at the entrance to the Church and Faith Development Center, handicapped parking, accessible seating, and restrooms. Hearing assisted system is available for Masses. Just ask an usher.

We encourage all parish groups and committees to read and reflect the Sunday Gospel aloud before beginning a meeting, connecting your meeting to our Sunday Worship.

GOSPEL

Second Sunday
in Ordinary Time
January 17, 2010
John 2:1 - 11

There was a wedding at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples were also invited to the wedding. When the wine ran short, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." And Jesus said to her, "Woman, how does your concern affect me? My hour has not yet come."

His mother said to the servers, "Do whatever he tells you."

Now there were six stone water jars there for Jewish ceremonial washings, each holding twenty to thirty gallons. Jesus told them, "Fill the jars with water." So they filled them to the brim. Then he told them, "Draw some out now and take it to the headwaiter." So they took it. And when the headwaiter tasted the water that had become wine, without knowing where it came from although the servers who had drawn the water knew —, the headwaiter called the bridegroom and said to him, "Everyone serves good wine first, and then when people have drunk freely, an inferior one; but you have kept the good wine until now."

Jesus did this as the beginning of his signs at Cana in Galilee and so revealed his glory, and his disciples began to believe in him.

REFLECTION QUESTION

*Who has changed my life
with their trusting encouragement?
And to whom have I given
such encouragement?*

Proclaim the Good News TO ALL THE WORLD A Morning of Reflection For All Catechetical Ministers

A catechist is one called to "echo" God's Word.

Catechists facilitate the process of faith formation. This is done first by echoing the Word of God in one's own life, and second by helping others to do the same. This morning of reflection will give catechists the opportunity to reflect on their relationship with God's Word, and explore the relationship between the way Jesus evangelized and the way today's catechists evangelize. It will also help catechists discern how they can deepen their relationship with God's Word, and be more effective in their ministry.

Please join us on **Saturday, January 30th** for a **morning of reflection**. All catechists who register by January 15 will get a free copy of ***THE CATECHIST'S TOOLBOX: How To Thrive As A Religious Education Teacher***, by Joe Paprocki, c.2007. This book is filled with practical ideas for instruction and insights for the catechist. The program, facilitated by **Gary Maccaroni**, will begin at **9:00 a.m.** (and finish at 12:00 Noon with lunch) in the Faith Development Center. Morning Mass, fellowship, and coffee with bagels will be available from 8:00 to 9:00 a.m. *The content of the morning is for both catechists of children and adult catechists who minister in RCIA, Generations of Faith, etc.* Please **register** for this event by calling **Sister Joan** at the Faith Development Center, **(609) 882-6491, ext. 105**.



Youth Brigade to Route One Making Lunches for the Homeless

This is a great community service opportunity for Confirmation or Saint Ann School. Help prepare and deliver lunches for homeless families.

Bag lunches will be made at the **Goepfert residence** located at **21 Hopkins Drive, Lawrenceville** on **Saturday, January 30, 2010**. Please meet there at **11:00 AM**. *After making the lunches, we will deliver them to homeless families in local motels.* Deliveries will be completed by 12:30 PM.

Please call **Nancy Goepfert** at **(609) 896-2048**, by **Wednesday, January 27th**, with your name and phone number so we can confirm your participation and give you more information. **Each participant will be asked to donate some part of the lunch.**

Census Fest

We are still updating our information. There are **bright "pink" sheets** at the doors of the church. If you didn't stop by when we were in the community room, if you didn't respond to an email that we sent last month, **please, please, please**, take the time to fill out this pink sheet.

Why not update your information by visiting the parish website www.churchofsaintann.net which will bring you to the home page. Then you can follow the directions from there. **Very easy! Takes less than five minutes! Thank you in advance!**

ADULT FAITH ENRICHMENT

THE PARABLES OF FORGIVENESS

Thursday, January 28, 2010

7:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

FRED VASAPOLLI ~ This journey will look at the importance of forgiveness in living today as a Christian. After examining guidelines for a Christian spirituality in Luke's Gospel, we will focus on a special section devoted to God's mercy and forgiveness - the parables of the lost sheep, the lost coin, the prodigal son.

*Journeys of Faith Series
(Bring Your Bible!)*

SUNDAY COLLECTIONS

Weekend of January 2/3, 2010

WRAP YOUR GIFT . . .

USE YOUR ENVELOPES

Weekly Offering for the Church of Saint Ann	
Number of Registered Households	3,073
Number Using Envelopes Last Week	603
Envelope Contributions	\$14,522.00
Other	5,448.00
Loose Money	<u>2,608.00</u>
Total Contributions	\$22,578.00
Average Envelope Contribution	\$24.08
Weekly Offering for Saint Michael Campus	
Masses	\$1,005.00
Novena	118.00



Saint Ann School

Where Faith and Knowledge Meet.

Educating Your Child's Mind, Heart and Soul.

Come join us for a tour of our school and discover the quality, faith-based education available in your community.

Open House: February 3, 2010

Presentation in The Faith Development Center at
9:00 AM and 7:00 PM

Tours to follow.

Accepting enrollment for grades Pre-K—8.

Before and after school care available.

For additional information call (609) 882-8077
or visit www.st-ann-school.org.

ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE

Week of January 23/24, 2010

5:00 PM	7:30 AM	9:30 AM	11:00 AM	12:30 PM
R. Zurick	M. McDaniel	C. Meagher	M. Piamonte	E. Lanzoni
J. McQuarrie		D. Meagher	J. Gordon	M. Lanzoni
M. McQuarrie		D. Exume	M. Gordon	M. Lanzoni
A. Piasecki		L. Stivala	S. Cabell	A. Randazzo
L. Fitzpatrick		C. Humphreys	A. Forgione	A. Abelowitz
		J. Ivins	S. Barkley	R. Abelowitz

CONGRATULATIONS

This weekend, we welcome into our church,
through Baptism

Michael Philip JULIANO

WEEK OF JANUARY 17, 2010

SAINT ANN SANCTUARY CANDLE

In memory of

HELEN McKEEVER

Requested by

McKeever Family

SAINT ANN ICON

In memory of

HELEN AND PHILIP DONOHUE

Requested by

Daughter

SAINT MICHAEL SANCTUARY CANDLE

*Sanctuary Candles are available
at the Saint Michael Campus*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Church in Latin America Collection

Next weekend is the Collection for the Church in Latin America. Your gift helps fellow Catholics in Latin America and the Caribbean who are rich in spirit, but lacking in material resources, to participate more fully in the life of the Church. *Collection proceeds support training for seminarians and religious men and women; pastoral care of the sick; formation for lay leaders; family and youth ministries; and religious education for all age groups.* For more information, please visit www.usccb.org/latinamerica.

Please contribute generously.

Thank You

A very big "Thank You" from the heart for the very generous donation of Christmas gifts that you gave to the Haitian community. *Your thoughtfulness and kindness will be a big boost for many families in our community. We keep you and all our benefactors in our prayers. God bless you for thinking of others less fortunate than you, and providing a windfall for our people.* Sincere thanks again and a promise of prayer already fulfilled. Sincerely, Magda Dorleans, Director

Widows and Widowers

The Mercer County Chapter of the Widows and Widowers will hold its monthly dance social on **Friday, January 22, 2010 at 7:30 PM**, at the Knight's of Columbus Hall, 1451 Klockner Road, Hamilton Township, NJ.

For additional information, please call **Marilyn at (609) 587-8959** or **Regina at (609) 585-3453**. *Refreshments will be served. All widows and widowers are invited to attend.*

HOLY HOUR FOR LIFE

On **Thursday evening, January 21st**, at 7:00 pm there will be a **Holy Hour for Life** in the Daily Mass Chapel. **Father Vince** has graciously agreed to lead us in prayer. **At the Holy Hour we will be praying in general for a greater respect for life in our society and also for the safety and well being of all who are going on the March for Life in Washington the next morning.** *If you are not able to join the March for Life, here is a wonderful opportunity to share in the celebration for life that the March represents.*

TODAY!

COME CHRISTIANS, JOIN TOGETHER

Evening Prayer for Christian Unity

Sunday, January 17 - 7:00 pm

At The Church of Saint Ann

Including a tribute to Dr. Martin Luther King

**Reflection by Rev. Jeffrey Vamos,
Pastor of Lawrenceville Presbyterian Church**

Refreshments to follow

For additional information, please call (609) 882-6491.

ALL ARE WELCOME!

Why Do We Pray For Christian Unity?

Basically, we pray for Christian Unity because Jesus, on the night before he died for us, prayed **"that they may all be one as you, Father, are in me and I in you, that they also may be in us, that the world may believe that you sent me."** Christians praying together are reminded that we are truly sisters and brothers in one Baptism. As Christians gather, we speak to God together through Christ in the power of the same Holy Spirit. For Christians, the call to prayer supersedes division. If you think about it, we were united for 1500 years and have been divided for only 500 years.

Why not invite your non-Catholic neighbors or friends to pray with us.



MARCH FOR LIFE

Friday, January 22, 2010 will mark the anniversary of the tragic U.S. Supreme Court decision that legalized abortion in the United States. To mark this event, **Lawrence Council 7000 of the Knights of Columbus** is sponsoring a bus trip to the **annual March for Life in Washington, DC** on that date. The trip is funded by parishioner donations to last October's Rose Sale, so there is no charge *other than* any meals or personal expenses.

Please give serious thought to joining us as we work to turn the tide in our favor and build a culture of life. To reserve a seat on the bus, or get more information, please call **Mike Meagher at (609) 883-8619.**



Maryknoll Magazine January 2010

The January 2010 edition of *Maryknoll Magazine* contains three articles that might be of great interest to Saint Ann Parishioners.

“The Village of Women” is an article on the work done by **Sister Barbara Noland** with Guatemalan women whose husbands have gone away. **Sister Barbara Noland** is on the **Pastoral Team** of our **Partner Parish** in **San Andres, Guatemala**.

The second article about **Guatemala** is excerpts from a journal, with *photos* by Brother Martin Shea, M.M. who has been serving in Guatemala since the violence of the 1980's.

The third article “**Climate Justice for All**” details some of the challenges of how climate change adversely and disproportionately effects the poor and the Christian responsibility.

Please pick up a copy of the Maryknoll Magazine in the Hospitality Area or our Library.

STARS AT THE CRIB

On the stars that surrounded our Christmas crib were the names of all the children who were baptized in our church since last Christmas.

Families are invited to take home their child's star. Stars are located in a basket in the Baptismal area (left corner of the Church).



OFFERTORY ENVELOPES We Encourage You To “Wrap Your Gift”

Offertory envelopes will be available for pick up beginning the weekend of January 16/17, 2010 in the **Gallery of Light** in the **Faith Development Center**. Envelopes will be in numerical order, so please make a mental note of your number.

*For those parishioners who regularly attend Mass at **Saint Michael's** - your envelopes will be available at that location.*

PLEASE TAKE NOTE



Altar Server Recognition/Installation and CANDLEMASS

On **Tuesday evening, February 2, 2010 at 7:00 PM**, we will celebrate a **CANDLEMASS**. The Mass will consist of the blessing of candles from the Church, and from your homes, to be used in prayer this year.

We will also use this occasion to recognize our altar servers for their outstanding service to the parish and we will celebrate the Installation of new servers. *All parishioners are invited to participate in this parish celebration.*

CANDLEMASS is celebrated on the **Feast of The Presentation of the Lord, forty days after Christmas**. It will begin in the Gallery of Light with the blessing of candles. **If you have devotional candles at home that you wish blessed, you may bring them to the celebration.**

Following the procession of light into the Church, we will install new altar servers and celebrate the Mass of the Presentation of the Lord.

Please mark this celebration on your calendar and plan to bring the entire family. *Refreshments will follow the Mass.*

This is a great way to keep alive, and pass on our Catholic Tradition.



Bishop's Annual Appeal Set

The **Bishop's Annual Appeal** will take place on the weekend of **February 6 and 7, 2010**. The theme of the appeal is “*Serve the Lord with Gladness*”. A short presentation, from our Bishop, will take place at all of the Masses. Our parish goal is \$85,000. **Please be generous.** *The Diocese is directly mailing information about the appeal during the month of January.*

PLEASE TAKE NOTE, cont.



Parish Library/Media Center Donations for Adult Faith Formation

Some parishioners have dropped off books or have asked about making book donations to the adult faith section of the parish library. *We are very grateful to those who have made contributions.* Please be aware that due to the limited scope (*its mission*) and the small size of the collection, we must be selective as to what is in the adult faith section of the library. Thus not all donations will make it into the library, or remain there. If you have books for the adult faith section of the library, **please do not drop them at the Faith Development Center.** Please call Gary Maccaroni at (609) 359-9966. Thank you!

The mission of the Adult Faith Section of the parish library/media center is:

....to provide the community with access to materials that will increase their knowledge and understanding of Catholic teaching and Tradition, and provide practical aids to those who lead ministries within the parish. The collection provides resources that reflects the history, persons, events, and theologies that have formed the Roman Catholic Church over the last two millennium, with particular focus on Catholic thought and life that have developed since the Second Vatican Council.

We hope that you would stop by and browse (*we also have a reading/sitting section with over 35 periodicals*), or take materials home for reading, listening, or viewing.

Inclement Weather Conditions

Although we have professional services to see that we're ready to go on with our weekend schedule of Masses, please use prudence and common sense in making a decision to come to church in severe weather conditions. The Lord certainly does not want us to jeopardize our lives or health by taking unnecessary chances. Obligation to attend weekly Mass is not binding when serious weather conditions suggest we stay home. This might be a good opportunity for families or individuals to say prayers together and do some scripture reading and reflections.



The Rite of Acceptance and Welcome

On Sunday, January 31, 2010 at the 11:00 AM Mass, we will celebrate one of the *Rites of RCIA*, The Rite of Acceptance and Welcome.

We have been meeting with Christina Washington, Morenike Soboyejo, Michelle Monaccio, and William "Liam" Wiedau who have been on a journey seeking to become members of the Catholic Church. During this **Rite of Acceptance and Welcome**, they will make public their intentions to become members.

During this Rite we will sign each of our inquirers with the sign of the cross and will present them with a book of the scriptures. Perhaps as we prepare to celebrate this Rite, you could be thinking about what the sign of the cross means to you. *Maybe have a conversation about its meaning with someone during the next few weeks.*

SIGN UP FOR AUTOMATIC WITHDRAWAL

Would you want one less thing to worry about on Sunday morning?

- . . .were is the envelope??

- . . .where is the check book???

Join the growing number of parishioners who have their weekly offering dedicated from their bank account. This is a very simple process. Please call Rita Reven, Finance Manager at (609) 882-6491, ext. 113 for the necessary information. You can determine the amount and adjust it at anytime. **TRY IT. WE BET YOU'LL LIKE IT.**

KEEPING THE DREAM ALIVE

Martin Luther King, Jr.

Day of Service

Monday, January 18, 2010

Sponsored by the Diocese of Trenton, *Office of Black Apostolate*, there will be a Martin Luther King, Jr. "Day of Service" on Monday, January 18, 2010. For more information, please call (609) 406-7400, ext. 5518 or email: eancru@dicoesoftrenton.org.

Remembrance in Your Will

A remembrance for your parish in your will is a wonderful way to provide for the future well-being of your parish community. Thank you for considering this very special way of sharing with your parish family.

What is the basis for your faith's perspective on environmental stewardship?
What are your faith's teachings on this topic?
How is your faith community putting that belief into action?

Please Join Us For A Conversation
Led by a Multi-Faith Panel of Religious Congregational Leaders

Faith Perspectives: Caring For the Natural World

D&R Greenway Land Trust
Johnson Education Center, One Preservation Place, Princeton, NJ
Monday, January 25, 2010
7:00 pm – 9:00 pm
Doors Open at 6:30 pm



Rabbi Carolyn (Cari) Bricklin of Beth Chaim in West Windsor, representing the Jewish Faith
Fr. Vincent Gartland of Lawrenceville's Church of St. Ann, representing the Catholic Faith
Dr. Attia Sweillam, retired, of Columbus, NJ, representing the Islamic Faith
Wendy Kvalheim, representing the Baha'i Faith

Moderated by The Reverend Richard Stoll Armstrong
Princeton Theological Seminary, retired
Representing the Presbyterian Faith

Free and open to all – please register by calling 609-924-4646.

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