



Monday, October 20th

7:00 A.M. Daniel McCarthy

Tuesday, October 21st

7:00 A.M. Barbara Alexandrich

Wednesday, October 22nd

7:00 A.M. Caroline Bologna

Thursday, October 23rd

7:00 A.M. Ray and Nora Flesher

Friday, October 24th

7:00 A.M. Prayer for Vocations

Saturday, October 25th

8:30 A.M. Leo Wassmer

5:30 P.M. George Orr

Sunday, October 26th

7:30 A.M. Bernice Kreger

9:30 A.M. Intentions of St. Paul Parishioners

11:30 A.M. Living and Deceased Members of the Women's Guild

6:00 P.M. Camilla Ryder



*The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it,
the world and those who dwell therein.
For it was he who founded it upon the seas
and planted it firm upon the waters beneath.
(Psalm 24:1-2)*

Jesus tells us to *render to God what belongs to God*. And what belongs to God? Everything. Everything we have---our life, our family, our property and possessions---all have been given to us by a generous God. *What do you possess that was not given you?* (1 Corinthians 4:7).

We are merely stewards of God's creation. It is our responsibility to use responsibly what we have been given. We will ultimately have to render to the Lord an account of our stewardship.

The Catechism of the Catholic Church gives a compelling guideline: *Those who hold goods for use and consumption should use them with moderation, reserving the better part for guests, for the sick and the poor* (2405). Moderation in our own use, and generosity towards others. Not a bad approach.

The current economic turmoil in the world may help put things in proper perspective. We are forced to learn that material goods can disappear overnight. We can't rely on them. So why cling to them as if we can't survive without them? Our generosity with our possessions reveals that we trust in the eternal generosity of God, who will never cease to give us all that we need.

Msgr. Robert C. Gibbons, Pastor

The Fr. Luis de Cancer Distinguished Priestly Service Award was presented by the priests of the diocese to **Msgr. Robert Gibbons** at the Priests' convocation last week. Named in honor of the saintly Dominican who came to our shores in 1549 to bring the Gospel to the native peoples and suffered martyrdom, this award is presented annually to a priest of the Diocese of St. Petersburg who best exemplifies selfless and dedicated service to the people of God. Congratulations, Msgr. Gibbons!

Upcoming elections. We strongly urge all parishioners to vote in the upcoming elections. Early voting starts tomorrow, October 20th. The Church does not support or oppose any candidate. We do not authorize or condone the distribution of partisan political materials on parish property.

Men's Christ Renews His Parish. The men's CRHP retreat is taking place on campus this weekend. We are grateful to the giving team: Mario Vitrano, Jeff Rettig, David Fansler, Norm Dusseault, Dennis Stajkowski, Tom Carney, Don Thornton, Michael Clayton, Bill Teska, Andrew Scheff, David Bel, Steve Mattei, Jim Previtera, Ray Fowler, John Michaud, Dave Maggio, Jim Maloney, Robert Rickling, Tom Rice, John Martin, and Msgr. Gibbons. We pray for many blessings on our parish through the CRHP retreat.



Is what I do after I say "I believe"...

Offertory for Sunday, October 12, 2008:

279 Envelopes.....	\$ 10,086.25
Loose.....	\$ 2,388.00
AOP (debit).....	\$ 1,911.00
AOP (credit).....	\$ 0.00
Total.....	\$ 14,385.25

*'I am the Lord and there is no other,
there is no God besides me,' says the Lord.
(Isaiah 45:5)*

Our stewardship is an acknowledgement that the one God is at the heart of our life.

Please remember St. Paul's Church in your estate plan.

- Websitestpaulstpete.com
- Parish Offices.....727-822-3481
- Pastoral Associate.....Annmaria Dickhaus
- Admin. Assistants.....Charie Wassmer & Mary Carney
- Outreach Ministry.....Sr. Kathleen Stagnaro, OSF
- Youth Ministry.....Gail Marinari
- Organist & Choir Director.....Paul Dixon
- St. Vincent de Paul Societyext. 50
- Children's Center.....Valerie Gervais, ext. 18
- Prayer Team.....727-894-8846 or jhdmary@aol.com
- School.....Mrs. Elizabeth Fulham, Principal
727-823-6144
- Counseling Ministry.....Mary Ann Holtz, LMHC
727-327-5045



St. Paul Says:

“For our gospel did not come to you in word alone, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with much conviction.”

1 Thessalonians 1:5

Not too late to join *That Man Is You!* Every Wednesday morning in the cafeteria. Continental breakfast at 5:30 a.m. Program begins at 5:45 a.m. and ends promptly at 7 a.m. New participants always welcome. Pre-register if you can by e-mailing Rob Hudson at rhudson@photoscience.com or call Bill Teska at 917.804.5265. It's a great spiritual uplift for men of the parish.

YOUTH NEWS

High School regular meeting is tonight, Sunday, Oct. 19th, from 7:15 - 9 p.m. in the youth room at St. Paul.

Middle School regular meeting is Wednesday, Oct. 22nd, from 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. at Holy Family.

Columbiettes. Congratulations to 3 new Columbiettes who received their First Degree October 7, 2008: Mary Ann Weaver, Brenna Carver, Cheryl Martin. Welcome to the auxiliary #13657.

All Souls Day is Sunday, November 2nd. Throughout the month of November, we will prayerfully remember our faithful departed. All Souls envelopes are available in your envelope packet or in the pews. You may write the names of your departed loved ones on the All Souls envelopes, and return them in the Sunday offertory. The envelopes will remain on the altar throughout the month of November. *Come, you whom my Father has blessed, says the Lord; inherit the kingdom prepared for you since the foundation of the world.* (Matthew 25:34).

Women's Christ Renews His Parish. Are you a busy woman, taking care of those around you, always doing for everyone else? Here's a chance to do something for yourself. Recharge at our women's CRRP retreat Nov. 14 -16. Plug into the source of our power and energy. Fill up with the Spirit and return to your daily life refocused and ready to be that person you want to be. Sign up today online at stpaulstpete.com or pick up a flier at the church doors or at the parish office. Give yourself a weekend with God and your sisters in Christ.

Grotto Engraved Pavers. If you have been thinking about ordering an engraved Grotto paver, now is the time to do it. An order will be placed no later than October 28. Orders can be submitted via the St Paul website or at the Parish Office. Thanks for your support on this wonderful project.

St. Paul Senior Club will meet Tuesday, Oct 21st, at 1 p.m. in the Parish Center Blue Room. The program will include guests from Neighborly Services and Boston Market. Prospective members are encouraged to attend.

World Mission Sunday is this weekend, October 18th and 19th. Catholics *in the world* are called to celebrate our

baptismal vocation to be missionary. A percentage of this Sunday's Offertory will be sent to the Propagation of the Faith in Rome.

Diocesan Holy Hour. Come join us to pray for vocations on Wednesday, Oct 22, 7 - 8 p.m. at Our Lady's Chapel, Cathedral of St Jude, 5th Ave. & 58 St. N., sponsored by the Serra Club of St. Petersburg.

Join St. Paul's Green Team for "*I'm Dreaming of a Green Christmas*", Oct. 25, Saturday, 9-11 a.m. View "The Story of Stuff" video, reflect on consumerism in the light of our faith, and browse the Alternative Christmas Bazaar. For more info, contact Diana Jordan at jordandg@earthlink.net or 821-8469.

Make a mini-pilgrimage to St. Paul Catholic Church. On Nov. 1st at 4:00 p.m. we will gather at the St. Paul Parish Center to begin our walking journey. Our 'steps' will lead us through the parish grounds, stopping along the way at the steps of some of our buildings and coming to a conclusion at "Our Lady of Lourdes Grotto." Join us for this procession as we reflect on St. Paul's life and teachings. There will be reflection, prayer, and music. This journey will fulfill one of the components required for a plenary indulgence for the Pauline Year. If you have any questions email Malinda Hill at ML850JH@aol.com or Joan Dirrigl at jhdmary@aol.com or call the parish office to leave a message for Malinda or Joan. *"When our days there were ended, we left and started on our journey."* Acts 21:5

"Key for Living Well with Multiple Stressors": a new web-column from Mary Ann C. Holtz, LMHC, Counseling Ministry. Read it at www.stpaulstpete.com/Counseling/keyforliving_Oct08.html

Annulment Seminar. On Tuesday, October 28, at the Cathedral of St. Jude Marian Room, from 7:00 – 8:30 p.m., the Marriage Tribunal for the Diocese of St. Petersburg will present a seminar on "Annulments in the Catholic Church." This is an opportunity to explore the various grounds for marriage nullity, dispel myths about annulments and answer questions. If you have experienced a failed marriage, or know someone who has, or are just curious about the annulment process, please consider this your personal invitation.

Theology-on-Tap is a lecture and discussion series for young adults in their 20's and 30's, single or married, sponsored by parishes in the Tampa Bay area. 7:00-7:30 p.m. Social, 7:30 p.m. Speaker & Dinner. Join us Tuesdays, October 21, 28 and November 4 at The Velvet Room, 615 Channelside Drive, Tampa, FL (Channelside Mall between the Ice Palace and Florida Aquarium). For more information contact Anna Marie Wright at wrighta@dosp.org or 341-6850.

St. Petersburg Catholic High School is hosting an Open House for families on November 9 from 1:30 – 3:30 p.m. Contact Sue McGough at smcgough@spchs.org.

Academy of the Holy Names high school for girls in Tampa welcomes families to an Open House on Nov. 6 at 12:30 p.m. Call 813.839-5371 or visit www.holynamestpa.org.