



Fifth Sunday of Easter
May 2, 2010

Behold God's dwelling is with the human race"

Revelation 21-3

TRANSFORMATION

When we clean, repair or otherwise restore things in our possession, we often say "good as new" or "just like new." This, according to the book of Revelation, is what happens to anything that is filled with the glory of Christ. When scripture uses the word "new" it doesn't merely mean "a different one, a replacement" (as our advertisements do), but it carries the sense of something being transformed so fully and completely that it is now almost unrecognizable. Our world is filled with tears, death, pain, thirst, darkness; but the new world - the new heavens and new earth brought about by Christ's resurrection - is filled with joy, everlasting life, glory, living water, and light. As Paul noted in his second letter to the church at Corinth, if we are in Christ, then we are a new creation. And disciples who are a new creation, who live in the new heaven and earth brought about by Christ, are also daily practitioners of a new commandment: to love one another with that transforming, re-new-ing love that Christ bestowed on us.



MOTHERS DAY BLESSING

As a special remembrance of mothers, mother's names will be placed on the Blessed Mother's Altar for the month of May. Please fill out an enrollment envelope in the church vestibule and place it in the collection basket or bring to the Rectory. Beautiful cards are available to announce the remembrance to your loved one. Free will offerings will benefit the Birthright Pregnancy Help Center located two blocks from St. Cecilia Church, which provides resources and support to mothers in need of help with unplanned pregnancies. Blessed Mother Mary, bless and pray for mothers!



Beautiful roses will again be available on Mother's Day, in honor of mothers, from the Pro-Life Union of S.E. Pennsylvania. A suggested offering of \$1 per rose helps provide the Pro Life Union with much needed funding for its educational programs and outreach efforts in spreading the Culture of Life. To learn more about the dedicated work of the Pro Life Union and its special group of young people, Generation Life, visit www.prolifeunion.org or generationlife.org.

Ascension Thursday Masses
(note change to Vigil Mass)
Wednesday, May 12 - Vigil at 7 P.M.
Thursday, May 13 - 7 A.M. and 12 Noon

2010 CATHOLIC CHARITIES APPEAL

The Catholic Charities Appeal begins today. All parishioners have received a letter and donation card from Cardinal Justin Rigali regarding the Catholic Charities Appeal 2010. **You Gave Me Hope.** Please take time to read the letter. The Catholic Charities Appeal plays a vital role in our community by providing funds for diverse human services sponsored by the Archdiocese in outreach to the poor and vulnerable in our society. Many agencies are helped by Catholic Social Services along with assistance provided to the five schools of special education. The Second Collection today, next weekend and May 15th & 16th will be for this Annual Appeal. Please, prayerfully consider supporting the Appeal. Even a few dollars a month makes a difference to the nearly 250,000 people in our archdiocese in need of help. Should you have any questions please contact the Appeal office at 215-587-3651 or visit www.CatholicCharitiesAppeal.org.

JOHN MICHAEL TALBOT IN CONCERT

“Lessons in Simplicity in the Light & Peace of Jesus”

Thursday, May 13th, at St. Cecilia Church
(A free will offering will be taken)

Tickets are required

Please call 1-888-716-9504 for ticket reservation

Friday, May 14th, at 7:30 P.M.

Teaching by John Michael Talbot

“Lessons in Simplicity”

(No Tickets Required)

THE LANGUAGE INSTITUTE OF ST. CHARLES BORROMEIO SEMINARY

In response to the increasing Spanish-speaking population in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia, Saint Charles Borromeo Seminary opens its Language Institute for a three week session of instruction in the Spanish language from June 21 - July 9. Sessions run Monday thru Friday for three hours, 9 A.M. to 12 P.M. The cost is \$300 for the three week session. Applications are now being accepted. You may download an application from the seminary website at www.scs.edu. Please direct phone inquires to Mrs. Susan Hepler at 610-785-6525.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

St. Cecilia Knights of Columbus would like to thank everyone who supported our 15th Annual Knight at the Races. It was a tough year for us in horse sales, attendance and wagering. However, we were able to make donations to: St. Cecilia Parish \$1,000, PJPII School \$1,000, Birthright of Coatesville \$300, Coatesville Food Cupboard \$300, CASH Ecumenical Award \$200, PJPII Good Samaritan Award \$200, ARC of PA \$100. Proceeds from all our fund raisers are donated to these and other local charities. In many cases, the expenses associated with our fund raisers are offset by contributions by members of our Council. So, be assured that when you support St. Cecilia Knights of Columbus, you are maximizing our contributions to a good cause.

REGISTRATION PJPII

Kindergarten is filling fast for the 2010/2011 school year. There are a few spaces available. PJPII will be having tours and registration on May 11th. For an appointment, please call 610-384-5961.

Parish Council Meeting - Mon. May 3 -7P.M. Saints Hall

Bishop Shanahan High School

Come out and enjoy the beautiful sights and sounds of Spring as the Bishop Shanahan High School Fine Arts Department presents its Annual Spring Concert and Art Exhibit on Friday, May 7th at 7:30 P.M. The public is invited and a free will offering will be accepted.

FALL COACHING POSITIONS 2010 FOR PJPII

Head coaches and assistant coaches are needed for the Fall athletic season 2010. Anyone interested in coaching soccer, field hockey or volleyball, please apply by sending a letter to the Athletic Board listing your qualifications and coaching experience. Past coaches for these sports need to reapply for their positions. No position is guaranteed. In order to be a head coach or an assistant coach you need to have a State Police clearance, Child Abuse clearance and have attended or will attend, the class on “Protecting God’s Children - Safe Environment”. Please send your letter to PJPII Athletic Association, Attention: Dave Michell, Athletic Director, 2875 Manor Rd., West Brandywine, by Tuesday, June 1st.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat	May 1	8 AM	Special Intention
		4:15 PM	Bob Montgomery
			By The Montgomery Family
Sun	May 2	7 AM	Amanda Mohr
			By Grandmother Joan Burrell
		9 AM	Anne Sirhal Hook
			By Joe & Maura Hook
		11:15 AM	Francis Lawler
			By John & Anna Marie Newswanger
Mon	May 3	6:45AM	All Parishioners
Tues	May 4	6:45AM	Richard Aferez
			By Karen & Pierre Annaballi
Wed	May 5	6:45 AM	Joan Urbine
			By Don
Thur	May 6	6:45 AM	J. Richard Weaver
			By Bob & Anne Reeder
Fri	May 7	6:45 AM	Robert & John Hayes
			By Cerritelli Family
Sat	May 8	8 AM	Richard Alferez
			By George & Betty Gregory
		4:15 PM	Dorothy Mihalak
			By John
Sun	May 9	7 AM	Thaddeus Kowalczyk
			By Mary Catherine & George Tandarich
		9 AM	Madison Amelia Wildauer
			By The Wildauer Family
		11:15 AM	All Parishioners

ALTAR SERVERS

May 8th & 9th

4:15 P.M.	K. Conley / J. Phillips
7:00 A.M.	A. & K. Gilligan
9:00 A.M.	D. Cavanaugh / K Early
11:15 A.M.	P. Eby / B. Jonik

SACRAMENT DATES TO REMEMBER

First Communion Practice (English)	May 4, & 6
First Communion Practice (Spanish)	May 5 & 7
First Communion 10 A.M. (English)	May 8
First Communion 1 P.M. (Spanish)	May 8
May Procession 9 A.M.	May 9
Confirmation Retreat	May 15
Confirmation Practice with sponsors	May 18
Confirmation 4 P.M.	May 24

CANDLES

St. Joseph Shrine: For the Healing of Bob Tiedemann,
Special Intention
Blessed Mother Shrine: For the Healing of Richard &
Joanne Augustine

FOOTSTEPS IN FAITH

The Baptism Preparation Program is a must before your baby is baptized. The next baptismal preparation meeting for parents and godparents will be held on Monday, May 10, 2010, in the Rectory at 7:30 PM.

We recommend parents attend this class before the baby is born. Please call the rectory to register for the class and for information regarding our baptismal program.

YOUR PRAYER REQUEST

Every Thursday evening from 7:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M. we have Holy Hour at St. Cecilia. Prayer intentions will be prayed for and presented before the Blessed Sacrament. If you are unable to attend Holy Hour please fill out the slip found on the table at the entrance of the church and we will present your prayer request.

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Charles Mulranen	Angela Mulranen
Barbara Grow	Peg Mohr
Chuck Byerley	Jacob Furlong
Pearl & Billy Gill	Linda Pieri-Rambo
Edward Sexton	Joseph Burns
Rose Marie Rose	Moriah Nast
Edward Sockoloskie Jr.	Molly Baldwin
Catherine Finn	Linda Hall
Thomas Madrigale	Dale Lucas
Helen Sexton	Mary Stefankiewicz
Mary Riley	Ernest Compos
Debbie Ornsdorf	Dorothy Tripp
Jenny Shesko	Father Thomas Doyle
Francis Nimako Mensah	Bob Tiedemann
Anthony Bonanno	Isabel Dininni
John Lundy	Jim Kane
Jerry McNaughton	Patricia O'Gorman
Nicholas Pitcherella	

If you wish to have someone added to the list
please call the Rectory.

2011 MASS BOOK

The 2011 Mass Book will open when the present year is full. The exact date will be published in the bulletin several weeks before the book is opened. The annual requests for weekend Masses have quickly filled the 2010 book. Daily Mass dates are *still open*. In order to be fair to the parishioners who want to schedule weekend Masses we will begin to limit the choices of the number of weekend Masses and the time that the Masses are offered during a month. Only one name on a weekend per month.. Only one name during the week (up to 4 names per month). These guidelines will give everyone the opportunity to choose a special date for Mass to be offered for their deceased loved ones.