



LABOR DAY

Monday, September 6th is Labor Day, which was originally designated as a day to celebrate the efforts of labor unions and workers to achieve economic justice and to provide laborers an extra day of rest. However, today it seems that Labor Day has become for many in our culture simply another holiday at the end of summer. In the aftermath of the great recession, we would do well to remember the original purpose of the day and to focus our attention on those who are unable to find work, who have lost their jobs and income and are not able to provide for themselves and their families.

St Brigid Church takes great pride in the celebration of this special holiday for the laborer. In the history of our parish, it was Fr. James Gibbons, the first resident pastor, later to become the first American "Cardinal" who was a hero to the labor force. He went to Rome, making a daring public defense of the workingman and child labor laws. When he returned to Baltimore, it is said that 100,000 spectators lined the streets giving him a parade, a hero's welcome, for the champion of the working man.

May we give thanks to God for the fruits of our labors and that God may bless the work of our hands. In praying together, in working together and in playing together may we be united as one in giving glory to God.

God loves you and so do I.
 Fr. Joe

Mass Intentions for the Week

September

- 04~ 4 :00 Special Intention** (Joyce Mach)
- 05~10:00 Victoria Toporzycki Stevans**
(Helen Toporzycki)
- 06~ 7:30 Tillie Pawlak** (Lois C. Pawlak)
- 07~ 7:30 Lois Jones** (Fr. Joe & Staff)
- 08~ 7:30 Sr. M.Cornelius Monaghan SSND**
(Julia Scott)
- 09~ 7:30 Special Intention** (Teresa Lembach)
- 10~ 7:30 Sally Mach** (Joyce Mach)
- 10:00 Melissa Dunnigan** (Henry & MaryClaire)
Mass said at Brightview
- 11~ 7:30 Francis Doerfler** (Teresa Lembach)
- 4:00 Anthony Serio** (Elaine Serio)
- 12~ 8:00 Kordaz & Lewendowski Fam**
(Bernadine Kordaz)
- 11:00 Frances & Sally, Daniel & Francis & Marguerite Hall** (Marian Weiderhold)



September 5, 2010
23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Anyone who does not renounce all their possessions cannot be my disciple."
 Luke 14:33

Collection(s) from Last Week		
	2009	2010
Offertory Envelopes	1890.00	1422.00
Offertory Loose	260.10	865.50
Total	2139.10	2287.50
Poor Box	73.47	56.30
Attendance	166	162



The Parish Office will be closed Monday in observance of Labor Day. The office will reopen on Tuesday Morning.

Masses return to regular schedule next weekend, 9/11 & 12 on Saturday at 4pm and Sunday at 8 am & 11am.

Keep the Parish Lights On

No matter where you go this summer, please do not forget your parish back home. Your parish depends on your help to pay the bills even when you are not home. Thank you!



PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL OUR

SICK: Christina Arthur, Christopher Baldwin Jr, Elizabeth Bamberger, Ramona Battersby, Mary Jane Beach, Nick Bertoldi, Lee

Blumenfeld, Diane Boemmel, Robert Bosley, Bob Bouse, Bill Brandt, Richard Brzezczko, Theresa Bunk, Shirley & John Beyer, Florence Claybaugh, Ronald Collins, Mary Cook, Ann Crossland, Holly Dennis, Anthony Dietsch, Marian DiSaia, Logan Dunnigan, Barbara Dutkowski, Donna Eibister, Marge Foble, Effie Gasiorowski, Joanlee Griebel, Drew Hagan, Catherine Hall, Joe Hybdzinski, Samuel Jackson, Maryanna Jasinski, Bill Klaus, Pauline Knight, Fred Kremeyer, Tracy Leahy, Stuart Lehman, Marie Leonard, Joseph Lipka Sr., Marge Long, Leopold Luberecki, Joyce Mach, Cass Machowiak, Terrie McKittrick, Carolyn Maiden, Eva Maria Mantegna, Daryl Marciszewski, Frank Mazur, Henry Mazur IV, John McCusker, Jessie Messick, Bill Michael, Barb Miller, Joseph Nizolek, John Nowakowski, Marian O'Leary, Linda & Joe Oleszczuk, Rose & Joseph Owsianiecki, Dolores Para, Marlene & Charles Parks, Catherine Paskiewicz, Edward Pazdan, Evelyn Picker, Joan Puppe, Sharon Putzulo, Marie Reimer, Mary Sands, Mary Schech, Virginia Schenning, Betty Schroeder, Stan Sdanowich, Eva Sloboda, Paula & Tom Skarda, Mary Spence, Regina Sroka, Julia Staylor, Mary Stevens, Haylee Sudbrook, Albert Vojik, Marion (Pat) Walbrecher, Joyce Washington, Desiree Watts, Margaret Wiley, Lisa Wolf, & Greg Wright.

KEEP US INFORMED...

If you or a member of your family is admitted to or discharged from a hospital, **please call the parish office** to let us know.

BONANZA BINGO - The 1st

Bonanza Bingo of this season will be Sunday, September 12th. Doors open at 11AM, Dinner begins about 12 noon & Bingo follows. A Chicken Dinner will be served. Cost is \$20 & includes all games except Quickies & Raffles. Call Betty Schroeder @ 410-675-9463, Pat Banz 410-675-3691 or the Parish Office to make reservations. Bingo ends approximately 5:00PM Come join us for an afternoon of fun.



Bring your loved ones to Church & invite your friends to Share God's love Celebrate your faith!

FAITH AND FAMILY

Registrations for the 10-11 School year are being accepted.

Registration fee: \$50.00 (per family)

Book fee: 30.00 (per child)

- **REGISTER NOW AND RECEIVE \$10.00 off the family registration fee. FEES NEED NOT BE PAID UNTIL SEPT.26TH** Financial assistance with fees is available for those in need.

Contact Jo Ellen Shorb at the Parish Office (410) 563-1717, or at jshorb@yahoo.com for additional information and/or to receive a registration form.

TOGETHER IN MISSION

“The Church exists to evangelize.” Archbishop O’Brien believes this whole-heartedly, and has re-structured the Catholic Center to reflect the mission priority of “**EVANGELIZATION**”. He is inviting Parish Staffs & Key leaders to explore “the very reason we exist”. This one event will be held on two dates at two venues, Wednesday, October 6, 2010 at Holy Family, Middletown and Saturday, October 9, 2010 at Saint Gabriel, Woodlawn. We are inviting you to “*come along*”. Please call the office this week so we can register you with St. Brigid. Both events are from 9:30 am to 12:30 pm.

CATECHETICAL SUNDAY

As we begin a New Catechetical Year, we also join with Archbishop O’Brien and Catholic Bishops everywhere celebrating **EVANGELIZATION OF THE CHRISTIAN FAMILY.**

Summertime brings so many joyous experiences to families, regardless of where they are or what they have planned to do. Family itself is an affirmation of life and love, but when a family recognizes the Lord as the One who is at the very center of life, even the simplest summertime family activity becomes a blessing – be it a picnic, a walk in the park or sitting on the front porch.

We begin Sunday, September 19th at the 11 am Mass. We will be commissioning our teachers & other Evangelizers. Please come and extend your blessings. Thanks

**PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS ALL
OUR MILITARY SERVICEMEN & WOMEN**

**Daniel Smith-USMC, Chip Crossland,
Neil Pitruzzella-USMC, Maradone Sylvester,
Nathan Flores, Christopher Brent,
Matthew Hughes-U.S.N Brian Gracey-USCG,
Sean C. Fitzpatrick-USMC, Matthew Hughes,
Alan Sherrod- USN, Stephen Bochenek -USAF**



TRI PIC TICKETS -- If you could sell a few tickets every month for our **Tri Pic Fundraiser**, please call the parish office. The tickets are \$5 each with two winners each day. We use the daily Lottery Drawing. The afternoon winner receives \$25 and the evening payoff is \$50. Sunday evening payoff is \$100. They make nice gifts for any occasion. We appreciate any number of tickets you can sell, and depend on this monthly event to subsidize our bills. Call the office 410-563-1717.

ST BRIGID FAMILY CELEBRATION

Give up! That was the date we were going to



celebrate St. Brigid Weekend with a reception after the 4pm Mass. Well we are going to try again. On Saturday, September 25th, there will be a reception in the Parish Center

after the Mass from 5pm until 7:30pm. We honor our patron Saint & celebrate our families! Everyone is welcome. A \$5 per person donation and a family size dessert is the admission. Please call the office no later than **September 20th**. We still have monies of those who planned to come last January. If you do not remember, please give us a call.

OUR PANTRY IS ALMOST BARE

Due to the economy and the hot summer, our Food Supply has been hit hard. Unbelievably, Christmas is only 4 months away and we are going to start our food collection a little early this year.



We need just about everything right now. We have some canned goods but no paper products, peanut butter, jelly, pasta, pasta sauce, instant potatoes, cereal, soups, well just about everything. If you can help, please bring your groceries to church and place them in the bin on the Blessed Mother's altar. Thank You!

The United Evangelical Church P.A.C.T. Pre-school Program has openings for 2 and 3 year old children. For more information, please call Concetta Clark at 410-995-0118.

MASS INTENTIONS 2011

Mass Intentions for 2011 are now being taken. Mail them, or drop them in the collection basket. Pastoral discretion will be used to ensure that all requests will be honored as fairly as possible. Requests for weekend Masses are limited to one per month

Print names of the individual(s), family, deceased person(s) or event to be acknowledged. Include alternate date for each intention. Print your name, address & phone number. A \$5.00 donation is requested for each Mass Intention. Mass Intentions may be mailed, dropped in the collections at Mass or brought to the Rectory.

St. Brigid Parish Calendar & Events

SEPTEMBER 2010

6	Office Closed – LABOR DAY
12	Mass Schedule Returns to Normal – Sat – 4pm, Sun – 8 & 11am
12	Bonanza Bingo
19	Catechetical Sunday
25	St. Brigid Celebration
28	Beans & Bread

**HATTON SENIOR CENTER 2825 FAIT AVENUE
BALTIMORE, MD. 21224
410-396-9025**

Hatton's Computer Class begins on September 16 from 12:00 to 1:30. Please call for details and to register.

Ta'i Chi begins on Thursday September 9 at 12:30. Come down and try it; you'll like it and it's good for you!

On Wednesday September 8, Dr. Nicki Brandt will be here for Health and Fitness at 10:00 and the travel meeting to plan 2011 bus trips will take place at 12:30 that same day.

The center will be closed for activities on primary Election Day September 14. Don't forget to cast your vote!

BIG YARD SALE at Our Lady of Pompei Church

201 S. Conkling St.- 410-675-7790 –
September 11 & 12 9am to 3pm

Tools, Furniture, Toys, Kitchen Utensils, Baby Equipment, Clothes, Books, School Supplies.
All proceeds will benefit the Church.

**HELP!!! WE ARE DESPERATELY IN NEED OF
LECTORS FOR ALL MASSES. PLEASE CALL
THE OFFICE IF YOU CAN GIVE ONE SUNDAY
EVERY OTHER MONTH TO PROCLAIM THE
GOODS NEWS FOR ST BRIGID.**

Catholic Charities' Answers for the Aging is a free telephone information & referral service for older adults, their families, friends & caregivers. They welcome & serve people of all faiths & races. If you are looking for someone to take the time to listen to your situation & help sort out your thoughts about options for care, please call ANSWERS FOR THE AGING - 410-646-0100, Monday through Friday 9:30AM to 3:30PM.

AFFORDABLE LEGAL ADVICE FROM U MD SCHOOL OF LAW

The University of Maryland School of Law is participating in a new initiative, JustAdvice, that seeks to provide affordable legal advice to the Baltimore community. For only \$10, Baltimore residents can meet with an attorney for a half-hour to discuss any number of legal issues. For a schedule of available locations and times or for more information, visit 410-290-4809 or justadvice@law.umaryland.edu.

Learn, pray, vote: Register to Vote in 2010 Election

You must be registered in order to vote in this fall's elections, which include races for governor, U.S. House and Senate, and the Maryland General Assembly. Basic requirements include being an American citizen, a Maryland resident, and at least 16 years of age (must be at least 18 years old by the general election to vote). **The deadline to register to vote in Maryland's general election is Tuesday, October 12.** Call the Maryland State Board of Elections at 1-800-222-8683 to learn more, visit www.elections.state.md.us or www.cathcon.org.

Noted Composer David Haas Performs at Notre Dame Prep—As a kickoff to Notre Dame Preparatory School's "50 Years on Hampton Lane" Anniversary Year Celebration, world-renowned Catholic composer David Haas, will perform Tuesday, September 14, 2010, at 7:30 p.m. The concert will take place in the school auditorium, and tickets can be purchased online (www.notredameprep.com) in advance of the show or at the door. Prices are \$15 for adults, \$10 for students.

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel's in Thurmont, Md Annual Labor Day Festival Mon, 9- 6- 2010

12 NOON - 5:00 PM on Church St. in downtown - Family Style Fried Chicken & Ham Dinners (adults-\$12, ages 6 to 12-\$6, 5 & under-free). Ample Parking & Air conditioned Dining! Live Music by the Home Comfort Bluegrass Band, Bingo, Enjoy a day with us! Visit www.emmitsburg.net/sasolmc for info.

HAPPENINGS AROUND THE CITY

- **Bull Roast** to benefit the Franciscan Friars of Ellicott City Education Fund for seminarian support Sept 12 at Martin's East. For more information, call Denise Livesay 410-531-9200.
- **Quarter Auction** to benefit Baltimore Archdiocesan Holy Name Union, on Monday 9/17/2010 at The Del Capri. For more information call Nancy Novak @ 1-410-288-3402 or email GLNNP@AOL.COM
- **Polish Fall Festival:** at Holy Rosary Catholic Church, 408 Chester St, Sat & Sun, Sept 25 & 26 in the School and Church Hall. For more information call Christine Grabowski – 410-732-3960

Labor Day History

Ah, Labor Day - a day to relax and savor the end of summer and the last long weekend of sunshine and fun, right? This may be how most Americans see Labor Day today, but it is far from its true meaning which dates back to the height of the industrial revolution.

Labor Day was originally established as a day to honor those who toiled twelve hours a day, seven days a week to keep American running in the late 1800's.

Recognizing the history of Labor Day may enhance the holiday's meaning for you and your family. Here are a few facts you may not have known about this day that is dedicated to America's workers.

There are two versions of who created Labor Day - Peter J. McGuire, secretary of the Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners and cofounder of the American Federation of Labor, suggested the day be put aside to honor those "who from rude nature have delved and carved all grandeur we behold."

The second Labor Day creation version involves Matthew Maguire, secretary of the Local 344 of the International Association of Machinists in Paterson, NJ, who proposed the holiday while acting as secretary of the Central Labor Union in 1882. Maguire planned to have a picnic and demonstration in honor of American laborers.

Tuesday, September 5th, 1882 marked the first Labor Day celebration in New York City when 10,000 workers took an unpaid holiday and marched in Union Square, marking the first Labor Day parade. These participants vocalized grievances with employers as well as celebrated the American workers' accomplishments. The next year a similar demonstration was held on the same day.

Oregon, Colorado, New York, Massachusetts and New Jersey were the first states to declare Labor Day a state holiday.

On June 28th, 1894 the first Monday in September was declared Labor Day by President Grover Cleveland

*We wish you a safe and restful
Labor Day!*

*Fr. Joe, Bette, Jo Ellen,
MaryClaire, Pat, Sam & April*