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Mass  for the
Intentions  Week
Fourth Sunday of Easter

SUNDAY, APRIL 25

8:00 Peter & Laura Marella by Son & Daughter-in-Law
10:00 Ann Schaefer by Joan & Bob
11:30 John Coates by His Family

MONDAY, APRIL 26

8:00 Luigi Lancellotta by Pilla Family

TUESDAY, APRIL 27

8:00 Joe Mikalic by Wife Fran

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 28

8:00 Nicola Accurso by Irene Guliano

THURSDAY, APRIL 29

8:00 ITG to St. Joseph the Worker by Charles &
Carmela Sullivan

FRIDAY, APRIL 30

8:00 Mary Dabbundo by Daughter Connie Acello

SATURDAY, MAY 1

8:00 Donato Nevate by Wife Maria
5:30 Nataloni Family & Spouses by Bob & Sue
Nataloni

SUNDAY, MAY 2

8:00 Mr. & Mrs. Gaetano Di Pascale by Pat & Fran
Di Pascale
10:00 Stash Bloc by Wife Denise
11:30 Rosemarie Lari by Mary Valella
5:45 PM People of Saint Richard Parish

Our **SANCTUARY CANDLE** will be burning this week In
Loving Memory of the 1st Anniversary of John De Rose Love,
Mom.

**VOTIVE CANDLES**

In Loving Memory of the Birthdays of Rosario & Lucy Di Forte
Love, Son Peter
IMO Lena Rabena requested by Aida Romolini
IMO Albert De Cesare requested by Roverano Family
IMO Angelo Di Pascale requested by Mr. & Mrs. James C. Henry

**Congratulation**

Victoria Rose Conroy, one of our young
Parishioners received her First Holy Communion last Sunday,
April 18th, at Waldron Academy. Congratulations to Victoria and
all her Family.

**PASTORAL SHARINGS**

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

Again the parish sends out congratulations and best wishes to all our First Communion Boys and Girls. We pray that our 43 young parishioners will stay close to Jesus in the Holy Eucharist. I encourage and beg their parents and guardians to see that they are at Mass each week.

This coming Saturday, May 1st, our parish is happy to welcome over 200 Saint Richard School graduates for a reunion. The celebration begins at our 5:30 PM Mass, and continues in our school hall and school buildings following Mass.

About two years ago, our principal, Mr. Stephen Hewitt, at my direction, began the process for accreditation of our parish grade school. This accreditation is granted by the Middle States Commission of Colleges and Schools. Much, much work by our faculty, principal, and others has taken place over these many months.

Next Sunday we welcome the team that has been designated to visit our school. The formal welcome will begin with a celebration of Mass in our Church at 5:45 PM. All are welcome to join in this prayer and beginning of this visit. The Middle States Association Visiting Team will be here to observe, question, study and meet all of us who make up Saint Richard Parish School. The theme that we will present to our visitors is: **Saint Richard Catholic School "A Community of Faith"**.

The Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools was established in 1887 and is a non-governmental, non-profit, peer-administered organization. Middle States Association provides leadership in school improvement for its Member schools.

Thank you Mr. Hewitt for leading us in this important study and process. Again, all are welcome to our formal opening next Sunday at 5:45 PM Mass. This Mass will certainly fulfill your Sunday obligation.

Next weekend, May 1st & 2nd the second collection will be for your annual Catholic Charities Envelope.

Also, for those who wish, Mothers Day Cards are available at the doors of the church. All the Masses on Mother's Day will be offered for all listed on the Mother's Day envelopes.

God bless you
Father Kaufman

SAINT PEREGRINE “The Cancer Saint”

Many individuals and families are affected by the disease of cancer and HIV. The church holds up to us, Saint Peregrine Laziosi who was born in Forli, Italy around 1265. He was canonized by Pope Benedict XII on December 27, 1726.

Saint Peregrine’s feast day is May 4th. On Tuesday, May 4th at 7:00 PM in our church there will be a Mass in honor of Saint Peregrine. All are welcome. Tell your friends and neighbors. Again, all are welcome.

Following Mass, there will be the opportunity, for those who wish, to receive the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick.

Please let anyone know who may be affected by this disease that they and their families and friends are welcome to join in this prayer.

 *In Loving Memory*

ALTAR FUND

The following donations were made to Saint Richard Altar Fund In Loving Memory of:

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 **IMPORTANT!**

As Catholics, we have a responsibility to protect the most vulnerable people in our society. We must ensure their dignity is never forgotten or threatened. Please join the Bishops in urging Congress to make Comprehensive Immigration Reform a top priority in this year’s legislative session. Take a moment to fill out the postcards which can be found at the doors of the Church. Or you can log onto www.justiceforimmigrants.org and fill out an electronic version of the postcard. Thank you.

SAINT VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY

Individuals are invited to take all donations on **Saturday May 1, 2010 from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM** to our Truck located at the following location:

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CATHOLIC CHARITIES

All parishioners should 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. 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 is provided to the five schools of special education. 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.

You Can Give Hope.

Should you have any questions please contact the Appeal office at 215.587.3651 or visit www.CatholicCharitiesAppeal.org

Sacred Heart Home For Incurables

The Sacred Heart Home for Incurable Cancer Patients at 1315 W. Hunting Park Avenue, Philadelphia, PA will be **80 years old** on April 27, 2010!

Please join the Dominican Sisters of Hawthorne in thanking God for the eighty years He has allowed them to serve His sick.

www.sacredheartphila.org

MARK THIS DATE



Welcome Back

The parish community looks forward to hosting a Saint Richard Parish School Reunion. **On Saturday, May 1st, at our 5:30 PM Mass** the reunion will begin. Following Mass, the graduates will gather in our hall and school for their reunion celebration. As of April 8th, I heard there were over 230 people coming. We are thrilled to have this reunion celebration here at Saint Richard.

For those who regularly attend the Saturday 5:30 Mass, just be mindful that there will be at least 200 extra folks attending Mass that evening.

Also, I was informed that this same Saturday, May 1st, the 3000 block of South 18th Street will be closed to traffic. This is due to a party taking place on this street that day. **So, Cars will not be able to drive behind the Church and exit the property onto 18th Street.**

Please, please be mindful of all this when we get to Saturday, May 1st.



Summer Camp

“Circle of Friends“ Summer Camp at Saint Richard’s School, June 21st until August 13th from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM. For more information contact Ms. Lisa Cimino 267-716-9193.

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