

# Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 5, 2010

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My dear sisters and brothers of CHA,

**Today's Focus: Choices That Define a Disciple**

**Reflecting on the Word**

Old Dumbledore, the wise headmaster of Hogwarts, tells young Harry Potter that the choices that we make define us far more than our abilities. Choice is at the heart of Jesus' words to the crowds in today's Gospel. He outlines three decisions that define a disciple.

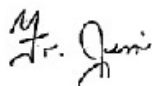
Putting Jesus first, above all other persons, plans, possessions. Before family, before friends, even before one's own life, a disciple chooses Jesus. This choice had to be made by the apostles, by the other first disciples, and by all who have come after, down to our own day, faithfully living out a commitment to Jesus in all the circumstances of life.

Carrying one's own cross and following after Jesus. This means taking up whatever duty calls us to lay down our life in service for the sake of the others. It involves making a realistic appraisal of the resources that we have at our disposal, just like the builder and the king in the two parables today. Count the cost before committing.

Finally, he asks for a renunciation of all possessions, allowing no thing, just as there is to be no person, to take the place in our hearts that belongs to Christ.

An example of this commitment is found in St. Paul's request in his letter to Philemon, whose slave had run away and sought refuge with Paul. Paul asks Philemon to take his slave Onesimus back to his household, not simply as a slave, but as a brother in Christ. We do not know what Philemon choose. We do know that it would have cost him.

Peace,



## Council for Stewardship and Development

### Weekly Sacrificial Giving for: August 29, 2010

Envelopes	2,437.00
Loose	59.00
Second Collection	
(Tuition Assistance)	367.50
Bread & Wine Memorial	5.00
CLoW	3.55
<i>Total</i>	<u>\$ 3,372.05</u>

### Mass Attendance

9:00 a.m.	266
10:45 a.m.	291

### Second/Special Collection Cycle

September 5	Outreach
September 12	Peter's Pence
September 19	Community Development Fund
September 26	Hospitality

### Children's Stewardship

*I showed my love of God and neighbor this week when I: Helped my Mom with putting away toys + Helped my cousin at an event where she was new + Brushed my teeth + Did not cry to brush my hair.*



### Mass Intentions

#### September 5

**9:00 a.m. For the repose of John Hagan**  
Requested by The McGuire Family

**10:45 a.m. Pastor's Mass for his Parishioners**

#### September 8

**8:30 a.m. For the Repose of Jim Bussink**  
Requested by Cyndi Brannan

#### September 12

**9:00 a.m. For the repose of Hazel Schadt**  
Requested by The Raineri Family

**10:45 a.m. Pastor's Mass for his Parishioners**

#### September 13

**8:30 a.m. For the Repose of Lucy Salinas**  
Requested by Joe Raineri & Pamela Gowland

### **Consider/Discuss:**

How do you experience the cost of discipleship in your own life?

Which of the three decisions has been the most demanding in your own response as a disciple of Jesus Christ.

### **Responding to the Word:**

We pray for the strength to commit ourselves fully to the Lord, that we might say with St. Paul, "whatever gains I had, these I have come to consider a loss because of Christ. More than that, I even consider everything as a loss because of the supreme good of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord" (Philippians 3:7).

## **Council for Liturgy and Worship**

### **Scripture Readings for September 12**

*Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

Ex 32:7-11,13-14      Ps 51:3-4,12-13,17,19  
1 Tm 1:12-17      Lk 15:1-33

### **Celebrating the Sacrament of Baptism**

**Upcoming Baptism— November 21:**

**10:45 a.m.      The Iacofano Family**

*Families who seek to present a child for baptism are encouraged to arrange for baptism preparation prior to the birth of their baby. Please call Annette Mulry at the Parish Office.*

### **Confirmation 2011 Registration Forms**

Youth are eligible to prepare for Confirmation if:

- they have completed 8th grade.
- they attended faith formation last year, whether in a parish faith formation program or in a Catholic school.
- they attend on-going faith formation during high school, whether in a parish faith formation program or by attending a Catholic school.
- they participate in weekly Mass.
- they have been baptized, received first Eucharist, and have prepared for the sacrament of Penance.
- they desire to grow in faith and seek Confirmation of their own freewill.
- they understand that Confirmation demands an ongoing response to be nurtured in life-long spiritual formation.

Sacramental preparation takes place in the parish setting and is in addition to faith formation classes, whether enrolled in the parish faith formation program or a Catholic school.

Registration forms are available on the information table on Sundays, the parish office during the week, or on the parish website under Confirmation. Please register by **September 5, 2010** so that we have firm numbers to give the Bishop's office in setting the place and date for Confirmation for the fall of 2011.

### **First Reconciliation and First Eucharist**

If you have child in Grade 2 or older who needs to prepare for the Sacraments of Reconciliation (also known as First Penance/ Confession) and/or First Eucharist (First Communion), please contact Michele Dougherty in the parish office. Preparation for the sacraments is done in the parish setting, not the Catholic school, so even if you child attends a Catholic school, they must register for the sacrament preparation sessions at the parish. Preparation sessions for the Sacrament of Reconciliation begin **Sunday, October 17th**. If you need a registration form, they can be found on the information tables on Sundays, the parish office during the week, or on the parish website under Faith Formation.

### **Ministry Schedule – September 12**

Bill Squicciarini/Mark Sexton

SC: Steve Dustin      Team: 4

**9:00 - AS:** L. Hunt, A. Sartori, C. Durig

**CLoW:** S. Turk, K. Joyce, B. Flaherty

**EM (cup):** P. Robuck, K. McKernan, M. Durig, C. Abbott, D. Dwyer, M. Dwyer, K. Hunt, J. Igoe

**EM (host):** Deacon Keith, A. Mulry, Sr. Angela, C. Mulry, Fr. Jim, A. McKay

**CW/GI/RD:** D. Schafer, T. McKernan, A. Caufield

**U:** M. McGuire, S. Corcoran, J. Corcoran,

R. Montemorra, P. Casamento, R. Kenney, G. Kenney

**MM:** Chip Yorkgitis

**10:45 - AS:** A. Quade, K. Dey, M. Bennett

**CLoW:** M. Smyth, A. Carino-Mixter, V. DeMar

**EM (cup):** H. Welzant, S. Shamblen, J. Dougherty, D. Filo, C. Frey, J. Herrmann, R. Hodges, K. Mahr

**EM (host):** J. Ayers, A. Schene, Sr. Angela,

A. Quade, Fr. Jim, M. Barciniak

**CW/GI/RD:** V. Moran, M. Trumbull, J. Ayers

**U:** S. Dustin, Diana and Dorian Pappas, S. McGraw, J. Cullen, D. Kehoe, F. Kehoe

**MM:** Deo Gloria & Biz Honeywell

### **Prayer Associates of the Holy Apostles**

*The following persons have asked to be remembered in your prayers:*

John Doody, Truman Miller, Sean Lau, Sam Moschella, Suzi Dixon, Gerry Scallan, Barbara Ann Desmond, Charmain Atkenson, Ron Lawrence, Joseph Marinucci, Ron Kyle, Bonnie Kyle, Patti Speranzella, Tony Schadt, Walter Robuck, Stephanie McCormick, Charlene Miller, Michael DeMaio, Darby Steadman, Shelley Ensore, Ted Madey, Judy Fulton, Marie Ostiguy, Betsy Rekus, Eleanor Squicciarini, Bob Prestel, Marty Atkinson, Gail Schomer, Helen Yorkgitis, Kirk Harness, Jenny Sass, Michael Andres Rivas, Marie DeFilippi, Ray Alexander, Maryde Breese, Patti Moyer, Matthew Sheehan, Patricia Jacobs, Wade McCoy, Mary Miller, Baby Mason Ryan Perez, Richard Elias, Judy Heid, Larry Murphy, David Widdoes, Bernie Crummie, Mary Lou Nelson, Ernie Frink, Theresa Kehoe, Justina Forman, Danny Ostiguy, Cameron Harris, Linda Coco, Alan Jones, Jason Richardson, Mike Bussink, Sharon Price, Jody Robitaille

### **Adult Confirmation**

Have you celebrated the sacraments of Baptism, Reconciliation and Eucharist in the Catholic Church --- but you were just never confirmed? Are you interested in preparing to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation now? There will be a preparation class for adults here at CHA starting next Sunday, September 19 at 10:15. If you are interested in participating in this class contact S. Angela at the Parish Office – 410-519-2291 this week.

## Council for Discipleship

### **Faith Formation and Sacramental Preparation Registration**

Faith Formation begins **Wednesday, September 22, 2010 at 6:30 PM** in Marian Hall. At least one parent/guardian must attend with their child on our Opening Night. Families are invited to bring a small snack to share.

If you still wish to enroll your child for Wednesday night Faith Formation, please send in your registration forms ASAP. Forms were due August 1st. As of now, classes for Grade K and Grade 3 are full -- any further registrants for these grades will have to choose the home study option. Grades 1, 2 and 4 have just a few spaces still open. Forms can be found on the information tables on Sundays, the parish office, or on the parish website under Faith Formation. Remaining spaces in the classes will be filled on a first-come, first-served basis. No additional registrations will be accepted after September 19<sup>th</sup>.

We could use parents as classroom helpers for Grades K, 1 and 3. If you would like to learn more or to volunteer, please contact Michele Dougherty at [mdougherty@holyapostlesmd.org](mailto:mdougherty@holyapostlesmd.org) or 410-519-2291. All volunteers working with children must comply with the Archdiocese Policy for the Protection of Children and Youth, including the STAND training and background checks.

## HORIZONS

### High School Ministry

**Horizons Registration Forms:** Calling all high school teens! Registration forms for Horizons are available on the information table on Sundays, the parish office during the week, or on the parish website under Youth Ministry. Don't miss out on the fun! Upcoming items:

**Kick-Off BBQ:** All high school teens are invited to our kick-off BBQ on Sunday, **September 12** from 4-7 PM here on the School of the Incarnation grounds. Last Names A-L: Please bring a liter soda and a side salad or appetizer. Last Names M-Z: Please bring bottled water and a dessert. Hamburgers and hot dogs will be provided by the parish. Please RSVP to Michele at [mdougherty@holyapostlesmd.org](mailto:mdougherty@holyapostlesmd.org) to let us know you are coming so we can make sure we grill enough food.

**Baltimore Youth Catholic Conference (BYCC):** BYCC is an Archdiocesan weekend for high school teens held every other year in Ocean City, MD. The next BYCC is November 19-21, 2010. The cost for Horizons teens to attend is \$225. More information about BYCC and how to register can be found on the parish website under Youth Ministry. To attend and have your hotel room booked, you must turn in the forms and a minimum \$75 deposit by **September 5<sup>th</sup>**!

**Pregnancy Run:** Come run (or walk) with us to raise money for the Severna Park Pregnancy Center on Saturday, **September 18<sup>th</sup>**! See the information on page 4 for details.

**Teen Café:** Our first café series begins Wednesday, **October 6<sup>th</sup>** at 6:30 PM in Room W107. The topic is "The Catholic Church (one holy, catholic, apostolic)."

### **Confirmation 2010**

Our next session is Sunday, September 12 for candidates and their\_sponsors in the Library.

A reminder of upcoming dates:

09-12-10	Reflection Session #2	10:15 – 11:45 AM	Library
09-26-10	Reflection Session #3	10:15 – 11:45 AM	Library
09-26-10	Group Service Project	12:00 – 4:00 PM	Buddy Jam @ Blob's Park
10-16-10	Retreat	9 AM – 4 PM	Franciscan Monastery
10-20-10	Letter to Archbishop Due!		
10-24-10	Reflection Session #4	10:15 – 11:45 AM	Library
10-31-10	Rite of Sending	9:00 Mass	Marian Hall
10-31-10	Reflection Session #5	10:15 – 11:45 AM	Library
11-04-10	Rehearsal	7:30 – 8:30 PM	St. John Neumann-Annapolis
11-06-10	Confirmation	11:00 AM Mass	St. John Neumann-Annapolis
11-07-10	Recognition Mass	9:00 AM Mass	Marian Hall
11-07-10	Last Session	10:15-11:15 AM	Library



*During these economic times, please remember that the mission of the Church of the Holy Apostles calls us to personal discipleship through study of scripture and faith. In support of that belief, no child will be denied instruction for financial reasons in K-8 Faith Formation, Horizons, or Sacramental Preparation. Please contact Michele Dougherty to make financial arrangements if needed.*



The Parish Office will be closed on **Monday, September 6th** in observance of Labor Day.

### **Attention Altar Servers**

Please plan to attend a training on Saturday, September 11 from 9:00 - 11:00 am. All are strongly encouraged to attend. We will go over new procedures for Mass, refresh everyone on current procedures for Mass and promote some servers to SENIOR SERVERS! Refreshments will be served.

### **RCIA**

Our weekly RCIA (*Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults*) sessions will begin next Monday, September 13 at 7:00 at the Rectory. It's not too late to consider participating in the process this year! If you or someone you know is interested in finding out more about the Catholic Church and possibly being fully initiated into the Church please contact S. Angela at the Parish Office – 410-519-2291.

### **Severna Park Pregnancy Clinic**

#### **Walk & 5K Run for Life**

Join Blaze and Horizons in the Walk & 5K Run for Life on **Saturday, September 18<sup>th</sup>**. Registration opens at 7 a.m. with the race beginning at 8 a.m. An awards ceremony immediately follows. You may pre-register, or pledge, online at [www.pregnancyclinicministry.org](http://www.pregnancyclinicministry.org) OR collect and record pledges on the form available in the lobby, parish office or online. A \$30 registration fee for each runner is due by September 15<sup>th</sup>, \$35 after that. No fee for walkers. Each paid runner will receive a Walk & Run for Life T-Shirt. Last year, Holy Apostles raised more than any other church involved. Let's see if we can raise even more this year. It's such a worthwhile cause. For more information, contact Nancy Lerch at [nlerch@holypostlesmd.org](mailto:nlerch@holypostlesmd.org).

### **Adults: Join the Horizons Team Next Year!**

We are still gathering our team of adults for Horizons for next year. The teens of our parish are bright, funny, full of ideas and questions, energetic, and need your help in trying to keep the faith in a very secular and un-Christian world. If you are interested in helping with catechesis/formation, outreach/service opportunities, and/or social activities with our high school teens, please contact Michele Dougherty at [mdougherty@holypostlesmd.org](mailto:mdougherty@holypostlesmd.org) or 410-674-7925.

### **Mass and Memorial Service**

Archbishop Edwin F. O'Brien invites families, friends and loved ones to a Mass & Memorial Service for those who have lost born and preborn children.

Sunday, November 7, 2010

12PM Mass—1 PM Memorial Service

St. Charles Borromeo

101 Church Lane, Baltimore, MD 21208

Please RSVP by November 5, 2010 to 410-707-9842 or

[Johanna.coughlin@archbalt.org](mailto:Johanna.coughlin@archbalt.org)

**Mass Signed for the Hearing Impaired at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, 4:30 p.m. Saturday Mass.**

## **SCHOOL OF THE INCARNATION**

### **Box Tops for Education:**

We are continuing to collect box tops in order to support our parish school, School of the Incarnation.

### **Grocery Cards:**

If you did not get to register your grocery cards yet, you can still turn in a School of the Incarnation Grocery Card Registration Form at the parish office. Forms are available at the parish office. Thank you for supporting our school!

### **Family Fun Carnival:**

Mark the date! On Saturday, September 25<sup>th</sup>, School of the Incarnation will be having their Family Fun Carnival from 1-6 pm. The AAMC Blood Mobile will be there from 12-4 pm.

### **Attention Quilters!**

Is anyone interested in working on a quilting project? If you are a quilter and would like more information about this project please contact S. Angela at the Parish Office – 410-519-2291.

### **Cruise the Bay with the SSJs!**

Join the Sisters of St. Joseph and friends for a delightful cruise on the bay, Sunday, September 26, 2010 from 4:30-8:00 p.m. Enjoy great scenery, food, music, auctions, and of course great people aboard the newly remodeled *Spirit of Baltimore*. Ticket: \$100/person (\$40 of which is tax-deductible in support of these wonderful women and their ministries in the area!) Here's a perfect opportunity to experience the beauty on the bay and support a great cause too! For more information or to purchase tickets you can call 1-800-482-6510 or go to [www.ssphil.org/UpcomongEvents.html](http://www.ssphil.org/UpcomongEvents.html). (Promoted by *Friends of the Sisters of Saint Joseph: "One in-'and on'-the Spirit!"*)