

With summer come vacations and more free time, especially for the youth. I thought it would be good to provide some ideas for good summer reading for teens and adults. Most can be obtained from **St. Paul Book and Media** bookstore in Alexandria as well as **The Catholic Shop** in Fair Oaks.

### LIVES OF THE SAINTS

There are tremendous historical novels on various saints that will grab and keep your attention. **Louis de Wohl** has written at least twenty on such saints as Ignatius of Loyola – founder of the Jesuits; Francis Xavier – the greatest missionary since St. Paul; Catherine of Siena – mystic, stigmatist, counselor of popes; Augustine – major sinner turned saint; and many more. **Msgr. Robert Hugh Benson** has also written some terrific novels. One that stands out is “Come Rack, Come Rope,” about the plight of English Catholics in the years of Elizabethan persecution. In a similar vein, **Walter Macken** has written three gripping novels on the plight of the Irish Catholics during English persecution.

If your interest is in ‘pure’ history, you may want to try some of Dr. Warren Carroll’s histories, particularly *Our Lady of Guadalupe and the Conquest of Darkness* on Cortes and the apparitions of Our Lady in Mexico City, *The Guillotine and the Cross* on the French Revolution, and *Red Banners, White Mantle* on the Communist Revolution and apparitions of Our Lady at Fatima in 1917. Each reads as a story, yet is filled with footnotes.

### APOLOGETICS

There are plenty of apologetical works out there thanks in many ways to the many Protestant converts who have written about the truth of the Faith. A few of these works that can be mentioned:

- **Karl Keating**: “Catholicism and Fundamentalism,” and “What Catholics Really Believe.”
- **Patrick Madrid**: “Surprised by Truth I, II or III” Each recounts eleven conversion stories.
- **Scott Hahn**: “Rome Sweet Home,” amongst many
- **Kevin O. Johnson**: “Why do Catholics do That?”
- **Fr. Frank Chacon and Jim Burnham**: “Beginning Apologetics.”

If you have other interests, the above-mentioned Catholic bookstores will probably be able to help you. I hope everyone takes advantage of the free time each will have this summer to learn more about the Faith and others who have gone before us in the Faith.

God Bless,

*Fr. Vander Woude*

### Masses This Week

#### Monday, June 9: Weekday, St. Ephrem, deacon, doctor

6:30 a.m. Rev. Thomas P. Vander Woude  
9:00 a.m. † Neal Causey

#### Tuesday, June 10: Weekday

6:30 a.m. † Joseph Saunders, Sr.  
9:00 a.m. † Thomas J. McGrath

#### Wednesday, June 11: St. Barnabas, apostle

6:30 a.m. Rev. James C. Hudgins  
9:00 a.m. † Steve Wawrzaszek

#### Thursday, June 12: Weekday

6:30 a.m. † Rev. William Ruehl  
9:00 a.m. Edward Joannides

#### Friday, June 13: St. Anthony of Padua, priest, doctor

6:30 a.m. In Thanksgiving to St. Anthony  
9:00 a.m. In Thanksgiving to St. Anthony  
7:00 p.m. Holy Mass in Latin

#### Saturday, June 14: Weekday

8:00 a.m. Rev. James C. Hudgins  
5:00 p.m. † Jim Phelan  
7:00 p.m. † Esperanza Leopold

#### Sunday, June 15: Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 a.m. † James Rodgers  
9:00 a.m. † Henry Cullinan  
10:30 a.m. Fathers’ Day Novena  
12:00 noon † Helen Weston

**Readings:** Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time -  
Ex 19: 2-6a; Rom 5: 6-11; Mt 9: 36-10, 8 (91)

**Confessions:** on Tuesdays, 6:30 p.m.

until last penitent is heard;

during Holy Hour on Thursdays, Fridays: 6:30—7:00 pm  
on Saturdays: 3:30—4:30 p.m.

**Holy Hour:** On Thursdays at 7:30 p.m.

**Latin Mass:** Every Friday at 7:00 p.m.

*Please pray for the members of our parish who are ill:*

Maria C. Carcamo, Ursula Pearson, Carol A. Otani, Gloria LaFaye, Lorraine O’Malley, Cheryl McGlyn, Theresa Subalusky, Lauren Richard, Robert G. Bruce, Marc Coderre, Jr., Alejandro Rosales, Terry O’Conner, Roy Kelly, Jack S. Manley, Abby Sasscer, Harold Smith, Gwen May, Michael Stewart, Sheila Immel, Thomas Duffy, Debbie Ryan, Fred Barnes, Jay DeLorenzo.

**The Poor Box content** this weekend is for Christ House. Next weekend Missionaries of Charity will be the recipients. Thank you for your kind generosity.



**Queen of Apostles Catholic School****Did you know...**

that the Q of A Catholic School's Children's Choir has sung at the Kennedy Center, the White House, the Basilica of the National Shrine and several diocesan events...

**Religious Education News**

Classes are held on Tuesdays from 6:30 to 7:45 p.m. in the School.

CCD Office Tel.: (703)-354-4360

**RCIA /Confirmation classes have begun. They are held on Tuesdays, 6:30 to 7:45 p.m., in the St. Jos. Cupertino Room.**

**For details, call Rel. Ed.: (703)-354-4360.**

**Respect Life Reflection**

**"Help build a world where every human life is always loved and defended, every form of violence banished."  
(US Catholic Bishops)**

**THANKS to your generosity the Poor Box** content last weekend amounted to \$524.- and was given to ACCA.

**SAVE THE DATES— Tomorrow, Monday, June 9th, at 7:30 p.m. in Hannan Hall,** the second of the Apologetics classes will be presented with the topic: 2. Holy Eucharist. Father Vander Woude and Father Fisher are teaching the classes. The topics on the remaining Mondays in June are: 3. Confession; 4. The Papacy; 5. Mary and the Saints.

**CAMPUS MINISTRY at George Mason University** invites all college students and graduating high school seniors to come to the student center, 4515 Roberts Road, Fairfax, Thursday nights, 7:00 to 10:00 p.m. to 'hang out', during the months of June and July. It is a great way to meet college students from different schools! More information? Contact Catherine Horan at (703)-425-0022 or [choran@gmu.edu](mailto:choran@gmu.edu)

**OUR GARDENING ANGELS** are busy during the weekends digging up, saving and replanting as many shrubs and plants as possible before construction on the vestibule renovation will begin. Your work is greatly appreciated.

**VOCATION CRUCIFIX** is presented weekly at holy Mass to a person/family to take home and pray for priestly and religious vocations. Please sign up in the back of the Church.

**"FOLLOW ME."** Is Christ calling you to follow Him, to serve and not be served? If you are considering a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life, call Father Brian Bashista at (703)-841-2514.

**This week in our Parish****Sunday, June 8:**

Gift Shop	9:30 am-1:30 pm	Gift Shop hours
Rectory Mtg. Rm.	7:00 p.m.	Prayer Group

**Monday, June 9:**

Hannan Hall		NO RCIA class
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**Tuesday, June 10:**

Rectory Mtg. Rm.	7:00 p.m.	Span. Prayer Group
Hannan Hall/Choir Rm.	7:30 p.m.	Choir rehearsal

**Wednesd., June 11:**

Rectory Mtg. Rm.	7:30 p.m.	Legion of Mary
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**Thursday, June 12:**

Church:	7:30 p.m..	Holy Hour
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**Friday, June 13:**

Church	7:00 p.m.	Holy Mass in Latin
St. Jos. Cupert. Rm.	6:30-7:45 p.m.	Youth Group

**Saturday, June 14:**

Rectory Mtg. Rm.	9:30 to 10:30 a.m.	Jr. Legion of Mary
Gift Shop	4:30—7:00 p.m.	Gift Shop hours
Youth Rm.	8:00 to 11:00 p.m.	Teen Night

**Sunday, June 15:**

Gift Shop	9:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.	Gift Shop hours
Rectory Mtg. Rm.	7:00 p.m.	Prayer Group

**DIOCESAN WORK CAMP 2008—Witness the Spirit:**

**Q of A High School Youth Work Campers** need your support as they give up one week of their summer vacation to help repair homes in rural parts of our diocese. Please consider having your car beautifully clean by having it washed today, Sunday, June 8th, after the 12:00 noon Holy Mass until 5:00 p.m. The proceeds will benefit Work Camp participation and other activities.

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS: Come, Surf with the Holy Spirit!** Vacation Bible School is planned for the mornings of Monday, August 4th to Friday, Aug. 8th. The closing holy Mass will be celebrated on Sat., August 9th, when the current RCIA students receive the Sacraments, followed by a party/picnic. Registration forms are available at the Parish Office. For questions, contact Anne Souser: (703)-941-6293 or [csouser@verizon.net](mailto:csouser@verizon.net).

**THANKS to your wonderful generosity, our parish** has pledged \$134,769 to this year's Bishop's Lenten Appeal. The goal set was \$118,000.-. We reached 114%. Congratulations!

**NOTICE TO GMU STUDENTS** from Father Peter Nassetta—If you will be a new student at GMU this Fall, check out our web site: [www.gmu.edu/org/ccm](http://www.gmu.edu/org/ccm) or email me [pnnassetta@gmu.edu](mailto:pnnassetta@gmu.edu). Give me your contact information and I will update you on all the great things going on at Catholic Campus Ministry.

**MOVING? Please call** the Parish Office: **(703)-354-0742**, if you have a change of address and/or telephone number.