

*Have a Blessed Birthday!*



*Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica in Rome*  
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*For a list of your friends who have birthdays this week, pick up a printed copy of the bulletin.*



*Preferential Option for the Poor*

Christ told us the poor will always be with us. Surely the poor must play a great role in our salvation and God's providence. Remember Christ also said, "*whatever we do to one of these least of our brothers and sisters, we do to him.*" In serving the poor we cooperate with Him in meeting the needs of our brothers and sisters and balance the many injustices that the poor face everyday. Their needs are vast compared to our resources and energies. Yet, the Lord has high ambitions for us, and with His power, and our cooperation, great things can happen. Through Him we have the power to impact the world for good, and bring the kingdom of God to others.

This week we honor St. Frances Xavier Cabrini, who despite poor health, she dedicated her life to helping the homeless and hungry. She established nearly seventy orphanages, schools and hospitals in the Americas and Europe. She accomplished great things for God despite her frailty, through her great faith, and great love, and finally through intense prayer which united her to God. She allowed nothing to impede her from accomplishing what seemed beyond her strength.

During the month of November, The CUA Service and Justice committee invites everyone to pray for an increase in empathy and charity toward the poor. It is our duty as Catholics to make the needs of the poor a priority in our lives. The preferential option for the poor means to love and embrace the hungry, needy, homeless; those without healthcare, and those with out hope. As we strive for the common good of all we must go beyond ourselves and care for those that need the most help.

*Gracious God, you lived among us as one who served. Teach us how to empty ourselves of pride and selfishness that we may be filled with your fullness. May all be clothed in Christ's Spirit so that once again the lame will walk, the blind will see?*

*and the poor will have the gospel preached to them.*

*We ask this through Jesus who is our way, our truth and our life. Amen.*

**SCRIPTURE READINGS  
FOR THE WEEK**

<b>This Sun</b>	Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; 1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17; Jn 2:13-22
<b>M</b>	Ti 1:1-9; Lk 17:1-6
<b>T</b>	Ti 2:1-8, 11-14; Lk 17:7-10
<b>W</b>	Ti 3:1-7; Lk 17:11-19
<b>TH</b>	Phmn 7-20; Lk 17:20-25
<b>F</b>	2 Jn 4-9; Lk 17:26-37
<b>S</b>	3 Jn 5-8; Lk 18:1-8
<b>Sun</b>	Pry 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31; 1 Thes 5:1-6; Mt 25:14-30 or 25:14-15, 19-21

**Weekly University Liturgies**

Sunday Masses:	11:00 a.m. St. Vincent's Chapel 4:00 p.m. Crypt Church, Basilica 9:00 p.m. St. Vincent's Chapel
Daily Masses (M-F)	12:10 Law School Chapel 12:15 Caldwell Chapel
House Mass	8:00 p.m. every Tuesday
Praise & Worship Adoration	9:00 p.m. Wednesday Caldwell Chapel
Confessions	10:00 p.m. Confessions-Caldwell Chapel
Solemn Adoration	9:00 p.m. Thursday Caldwell Chapel

## *Announcements*

### **Junior Retreat-LAST CHANCE TO SIGN UP!**

November 14-16, 2008 - "True Life---All you need is Love". Cost is \$40. Scholarships are available. Money is due in Campus Ministry office by November 12<sup>th</sup>. Sign up at [ministry.cua.edu](http://ministry.cua.edu)

### **Long term Service Workshop**

Meet former volunteers on Tuesday Nov 11<sup>th</sup> from 7-8 in the CM Lounge and get ready for the Long Term Service Fair

### **Long Term Service Fair**

Over 40 internationals & domestic service programs will be here on Wednesday, Nov. 12<sup>th</sup> from 4-7 in the Pryz Great Room.

### **Advent Adoration**

Anyone interested in helping us organize Advent Adoration, join the committee for a brief meeting tomorrow night in Campus Ministry November 10<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 p.m. in the CM Lounge.

### **Advent Dorm Confessions begin this week.**

Thursday, November 13<sup>th</sup>, confession will be available in Mill North, Mill South and Gibbons beginning at 8:00 p.m. The schedule for the other dorms will be listed on our campus ministry webpage.

### **Men's Discernment Group-Evening of Reflection and Dinner**

Tuesday, November 11 6:15 - 8:00 p.m. in the Happel Room, Caldwell Hall. Sign up at

[http://ministry.cua.edu/Activities/register/registration\\_dsp.cfm](http://ministry.cua.edu/Activities/register/registration_dsp.cfm)

### **Keep in Mind –Next week is Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week! November 17-22, 2008**

There is a new sock drive for the Homeless and many other activities throughout the week. Check out the campus ministry webpage for details. Please pick up a brown grocery bag after Mass NEXT Sunday and YOU can be the person who provides a hot meal on Thanksgiving for a local senior in need. Fill the bag up with non-perishable Thanksgiving foods on the attached grocery list and drop it off in Campus Ministry.

### **Have you experienced shame, isolation, or fear after abortion?**

You are not alone. Any woman or man who has had abortion touch their life personally is invited to attend a *Day of Prayer and Healing* in November. You will find on these days a non-judgmental atmosphere, to heal from this shame and other negative emotions, that come after abortion. Exact location is confidential. For more information, contact Luz at Project Rachel: 301-982-2008 ext. 14 [ProjectRachel@adw.org](mailto:ProjectRachel@adw.org).

### **Pax Christi Corner - A Student's Perspective By Chase Nordengren, Treasurer**

Today's readings speak of the temple, the place Paul calls "God's building" and the place from which Ezekiel says the water of life flows in all directions, spreading God's sustaining power over all the Earth. We enter our physical temple - the Church - every week to hear the word of God, receive the spiritually energizing sustenance of Christ's body and blood and are dismissed to "Go in peace to love and serve the Lord." The righteous anger which Jesus displays in the Gospel is directed towards those who would spoil this temple, bringing the false values of the world in and implicitly rejecting the true wealth of a life in God.

Something else profound is contained in Christ's assertion that the new temple was and is constructed in the three days of His Passion. By the Eucharist, we are given the temple of Christ's body and spread it from the physical church in all directions. If we are the temples of God, it is no more wrong for us to reject the poor than it would be for a church to close its doors and only let certain people in. At the altar today, let us be filled with the community of the sacrament and build the foundation of our temple on Jesus Christ.

Pax Christi meets each Thursday at 8:30 in Pryz 342. We share conversation, food and fellowship together and would love for you to join us.



### **We Remember:**

**Our loved ones will be remembered in our daily Masses and Sunday liturgies throughout the month of November.**