

MARY: PATRONESS OF THE USA

**Fourteenth Sunday
In Ordinary Time**

July 4, 2010
May our love give life!

PASTOR: Reverend Michael R. Christensen
ASSISTANT: Reverend Christopher Miller

MASSES and INTENTIONS:
Week of July 5th – July 11th

	6:30 AM	8:15 AM
Mon.	NO MASS	Patrick Schott
Tues.	+ Joseph Donovan	All Souls
Wed.	+ Jennie Kemler	Helen Clark
Thurs.	+ Sam Fuoco	+ Diane Klocke
Fri.	+ Duane Bruckner	+ Jonathan Moravec
Sat.	8:15 Bill Wahl	
Sat.	Vigil 5:30 Abbey Hellem	
Sun.	8:00 + John Sisco	
Sun.	9:30 For Parishioners	
Sun.	11:30 + Helen Waterson	

MY RETURN TO THE LORD.	\$ 13,413.00
PLATE	\$ 687.00
DEBT RETIREMENT	\$ 1,041.00
WEEKLY E-TITHE	\$ 4,471.75
WEEKLY E-TITHE DEBT RET.	\$ 252.50
TOTAL	\$ 19,865.25

FOR ALL HIS GOODNESS TO ME

HAPPY FOURTH OF JULY: our country's 234th birthday.

MARYLAND was the Catholic colony among the original 13 British North American colonies. At the request of an English Catholic nobleman – Sir Cecil Calvert (the 1st Lord Baltimore) – King Charles I of England granted Maryland a royal charter. Maryland became a place of refuge for English Catholics who had been persecuted since the English Reformation. The colony's name honored the namesake of the English Queen at that time, eg, *Mary's Land*. The colony's capital was named Annapolis from the Greek language meaning *Anne's city*, honoring Our Lady's mother, St. Anne.

THE ARK & THE DOVE were the names of the two ships the Catholic colonists sailed on from England to Maryland.

CHARLES CARROLL of Maryland was the single Catholic founding father & signed the Declaration of Independence. His cousin **JOHN CARROLL** became America's 1st bishop.

MARY AS THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION IS PATRONESS OF THE UNITED STATES.

America's bishops chose Our Lady under this title during the First Baltimore Council at the suggestion of St. John Neumann, then bishop of Philadelphia. The bishops felt the immigrants coming to America from so many countries all had one common mother – The Blessed Virgin Mary. Pope Pius IX proclaimed the dogma of the Immaculate Conception in 1854. Bishop Neumann was invited by the Pope to come to Rome & be an assistant at the pontifical throne for the solemn liturgical celebration of this dogma that year. This feast day is December 8th.

THE PARISH OFFICE will be closed on Monday, July 5th

PART TIME POSITION AVAILABLE with parish CCD program. Requirements: knowledge and practice of our Catholic faith and values along with strong organization and computer skills. Education background preferred. Lynette at 328-2866 or e-mail lmcardle@stpeterslincoln.com for specifics.

RECENT BAPTISMS INCLUDE: Jessica JoAnn, daughter of Timothy & Laura Moulton. Jacob Dean, son of Shelly Schwaderer.

SOME RELIGIOUS THOUGHTS FROM OUR FOUNDING FATHERS for JULY 4, 2010

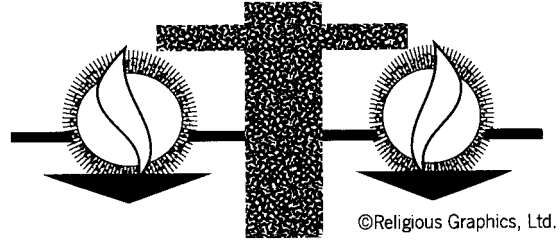
- **GEORGE WASHINGTON** “...of all the dispositions & habits, which lead to political prosperity, Religion & Morality are indispensable supports...” –Farewell Address, 1796.
- **JOHN ADAMS** “...the general principles upon which the Fathers achieved independence were the principles of Christianity...” –letter to Abigail Adams, July 4, 1776.
- **THOMAS JEFFERSON** “...the doctrines of Jesus are simple & tend to the happiness of man. Of all systems of morality, ancient or modern none appears to me so pure as that of Jesus...” –Notes on the State of Virginia, 1781.
- **JAMES MADISON** “...we have staked the whole future of American civilization not upon the power of the government, far from it. We have staked the future of all our political institutions on our capacity to sustain ourselves according to the Ten Commandments of God...” –General Assembly of Virginia, 1778.
- **BENJAMIN FRANKLIN** “...God governs the affairs of men...” –Constitutional Convention, 1787.

FINANCIAL UPDATES

- The Tradition of Faith campaign is in its final year. 90% of all payments are now returned to our parish to retire the remaining debt of \$400,000.00. With your continued help & generosity our debt should be paid-in-full at the end of next summer. Thanks to all who use the green envelopes for debt retirement.
- Please consider e-tithing for your church support. By using e-tithe our parish could stabilize both our summer offertory & our cash flow.

WORLD YOUTH DAY FUNDRAISER WYD Pilgrims creating parish cookbook to raise money. If you would like to contribute recipes to this cause please go to this website www.typensave.com. Enter your name into “contributor” enter saintpeterslinc into “Group Login” and enter f9843 into “password”.

PERPETUAL ADORATION We currently have 45 open hours - at all hours of the day and all 7 days of the week (5am, 9am, 4pm, 5pm, 7pm, 9pm, 11pm). Call Jim @ 421-7656.



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