



# The Marian Messenger

Bi-monthly Newsletter of the Sodality of Our Lady

*“Mary, Our First Disciple, Show Us The Way To Jesus”*

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## Prefect's Perspective

January and February were full of events that both challenged and encouraged us. On February 3rd, we reached out to the students at the University of Maryland through the Taste of Home dinner. Days later, we began our 2010 snow odyssey -two blizzards that isolated most of us for over a week. We busily shoveled our way out just in time to observe Ash Wednesday and the beginning of Lent. Now, many of us are trying to catch up on all of the activities we missed during the height of the storm.

For example, the Sodality will host the Sodality Union of the Archdiocese of Washington for its meeting on the first Saturday of March. Happily, our preparations are back on track, thanks to the great turnout of members at our rescheduled business meeting held February 21st. We continue raising funds by selling raffle tickets after Masses to benefit the James Cardinal Hickey Scholarship Fund. In addition, we are busy getting ready for the upcoming White Elephant Sale, Bake Sale and membership drive, scheduled for March 13-14.

With the February blizzard we were forced out of our usual state of business. Families and neighbors became reacquainted and all of us could more readily see the needs of others who were challenged by the blizzard. Why? It was because we had time on our hands and few distractions. A good Lent should be like this. Let us make time for prayer, reflection, repentance and reconciliation. Let us fast from our fast-paced lives and, to the degree we can, abstain from distracting activities. Let us give of our time or our treasure to those less fortunate. As we journey through this Lenten season let us get busy with the Lord's work. Let us get reacquainted with the Lord, walk with Jesus in our prayers and fasting, and extend charity toward those who are facing life's storms without knowing God's love.

**Cindy Perry**

## Important Dates:

- Mar 7 Mass & Mtg @ 8am
- Mar 13-14 WES & Bake Sale
- Mar 12-14 SU Retreat @WRH
- Mar 16 EC Mtg @ 7pm
- Mar 20 Teen Day of  
Recollection
- Mar 26-28 Women's Retreat  
@ WRH
- April 4 Easter Sunday  
Jr Sodality Eggs
- Apr 13 EC Mtg @ 7pm
- Apr 23 News Articles Due
- May 2 Mass & Mtg @8am  
Election  
May Newsletter

## Happy Birthday To Sodalists:



- Barbara Ford Mar. 2
- Martha Loutsch Mar. 22
- Blanche Rumbold Apr. 20

## **Apostolic Life Committee**

Over 150 University of Maryland students and alumni enjoyed a home cooked dinner courtesy of St. Hugh's parish on Wednesday, February 3. The "Taste of Home" program allows different parishes to take turns providing a meal after the 5:30 pm Mass on Wednesdays. The students enjoyed baked ham, baked potatoes, corn pudding, broccoli casserole and a variety of desserts. The students and alumni were extremely grateful and appreciative. Father Kyle Ingels, chaplain of the Catholic Student Center, expressed his thanks and provided the servers with Catholic Terps t-shirts.

Approximately fifteen Sodalists and parishioners served the food, greeted the students and served as kitchen crew. The Sodality would like to thank all of the volunteers who cooked and provided items for the dinner as well as those who transported food, set up, served, and cleaned up. Without your help this event would not have been possible.



Pictured from left to right:  
Front Row - Bridget Mc Dermott, Erin Donn, Barbara Osborne, Suzanne Lomax, Marguerite Kincius, Cindy Perry and Marti Galvin  
Back Row - unknown priest, Cathy Holcombe, Mary Wade, Danielle Miller, Laurie Njoku, Mary Anne Tretler, Sharon Miller and Fr. Kyle Ingles (UMD Campus Ministry Chaplain)

Suzanne Lomax  
Committee Chairperson

## **Sodalists Bake in Support of St. Hugh's Youth Group**

**Sunday, February 14th was a big day for hearts and for the St. Hugh's Youth Group. Many of our Sodalists generously contributed baked goods in response to the Youth Group's call for help. Consequently, the group sold over \$200 worth of goodies. They plan to use the funds to help pay for their journey to a youth retreat held at Franciscan University in Steubenville, Ohio. Many thanks to all who baked or bought baked items - so many generous hearts!**

## Prayer Corner

Please remember in your prayers all the intentions listed in the Sodality Prayer book found at the entrance of St. Hugh's Church. And...

- For an ease to the suffering caused by illness affecting our Sodalists and their family members, especially:  
Cathy Holcomb's son, Frank Holcomb  
Tony and Ruth Morris  
Margaret Kivlin
- In thanksgiving for the dedication of outgoing Sodality officers, the willingness to serve of the nominees for Sodality office for 2010-2012, and for a smooth transition
- For swift and generous aid and comfort to the people of Haiti and Chile as they recover from devastating earthquakes
- For the unemployed in our Parish, that they may find gainful employment soon
- For the Pope, all Bishops, all priests, all seminarians, and for vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and religious life
- For the success of the Lenten "40 Days for Life" Campaign and for an end to abortion

## Wanted !!!

### White Elephant Sale Donations

Now is the acceptable time...to do your spring cleaning. Donations of new or gently used household decorations, kitchen items, knick knacks, jewelry, appliances, books, movies, tools, hardware, and other bric-a-brac will be collected on

March 13th from 9:00am—1:00pm  
in Grenoble Hall.

The White Elephant Sale will be held on March 13th from 6:00- 7:00pm and on March 14th from 9:00am –1:00pm

## Prayer: Year of the Priests

Almighty and Most Loving God  
Please Hear Me!

On this day of Lent 2010  
I humbly offer You all my love,  
My little acts of self denial,  
Each small prayer,  
My mass and confession,  
All my joys, sufferings and works  
In union with the  
Most Precious Blood of Jesus Christ  
And the Tears of Mary  
His Sorrowful Mother

To bring Your blessings and grace  
Upon  
(add name of priest/s)

And his holy ministry  
So that he may draw many souls  
To You My God!

- thanks to Marti Galvin for sharing this prayer

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**Junior Sodality of St. Hugh of Grenoble Catholic Church**

# NOURISHING A FAITHFUL FRIENDSHIP

“You are my friends if you do as I command you...love one another.” JN 15:14



You are invited to join the Junior Sodality

Saturday, March 20, 9:00am-Noon

St. Hugh Church and Grenoble Hall

135 Crescent Road

Greenbelt, MD 20770

We will begin our morning with Mass at 9:00am in the St. Hugh of Grenoble Church, followed by light refreshments in Grenoble Hall. In our morning activities we will explore what it means to be Jesus' friend and learn practical and spiritual ways to nourish that friendship.

Please register by calling #301.345.9356 or visit our website at [www.sthughs.com/sodality](http://www.sthughs.com/sodality). There is no fee to attend.

**Reminder:**

There is no Sodality Mass and meeting in April.  
The first Sunday of April is Easter Sunday.

Our lector for the **May 2nd Mass** will be **Suzanne Lomax** .  
The gift bearers are **Laurie Njoku** and **Bridget McDermott**.  
Flowers for the BVM statue will be donated by  
**Cathy Holcombe**.