

February 7, 2021

# ANNUNCIATION CATHOLIC CHURCH

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## MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday  
9:00am, Vigil 5:30pm

*Miraculous Medal Novena*  
after the Saturday 9am Mass

Sunday  
8:00am, 10:00am, & 12:00pm

*Children's Liturgy of the Word*  
10:00am (Zoom)

Monday– Friday  
8:00am & 11:00am

## EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Wednesday  
11:30am – 1:30pm

## RECONCILIATION

Wednesday  
11:30am-12:30pm

Saturday  
4:15pm-5:15pm  
*Or call the rectory for an  
appointment*



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## FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### FIRST READING: JOB 7:1-4, 6-7

In this passage, Job laments the drudgery and pain all people sometimes experience in life. He talks of troubled days and restless nights. But he does mention that the days move along swiftly, which can remind us that our time here on earth is quite limited and should be well spent.

### SECOND READING: 1 CORINTHIANS 9:16-19, 22-23

Paul explains to the Corinthians that he has no choice, but must preach the gospel. He tells of making himself all things to all people, in order to save some of them. He reminds them that he does this willingly, in the hope of sharing in the blessings of the gospel.

### GOSPEL: MARK 1:29-39

Jesus cured Simon and Andrew's mother of a fever, then others with illnesses or demons came to see him. He cured those who were ill, and cast out the demons of the others. Then he went off and prayed alone until his followers sought him out. Jesus and his disciples then moved on to other villages to proclaim the good news.

## PRAY WITH SCRIPTURE

Monday	Gn 1:1-19; Mk 6:53-56
Tuesday	Gn 1:20-2:4a; Mk 7:1-13
Wednesday	Gn 2:4b-9, 15-17; Mk 7:14-23
Thursday	Gn 2:18-25; Mk 7:24-30
Friday	Gn 3:1-8; Mk 7:31-37
Saturday	Gn 3:9-24; Mk 8:1-10

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## WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS!

If you are new in the area, you are encouraged to register with your parish. Registration forms are available on our website: [www.annunciationdc.org](http://www.annunciationdc.org), in the foyer or by request from the parish office. Completed forms can be placed in the collection basket or the 24-hour drop box outside the parish office.

New parishioners are invited to attend our coffee reception after Mass to meet members of the parish. Please let us know if you are relocating so we can update our records.

## CELEBRATING THE SACRAMENTS

**BAPTISM:** The sacrament joyfully celebrates the entrance of members into our Catholic community. Baptisms are celebrated on Saturday mornings at 9:45am or by appointment, following preparation of the parents. Baptisms for adults take place through the RCIA process.

**CONFIRMATION:** "Through the sacrament of confirmation, the baptized are more perfectly bound to the church and are enriched with a special strength of the Holy Spirit." Confirmation is offered to adults through the RCIA process, and annually for our eighth-grade students. As with the other sacraments of initiation, preparation is involved.

**MATRIMONY:** Couples should contact the parish office as soon as possible or at least six months in advance of the desired wedding date to make arrangements for preparation.

**RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS:** For those who are interested in finding out more information about the Catholic faith and/or interested in becoming Catholic. Please call the parish office.

**ANOINTING OF THE SICK:** Our parish continues Christ's ministry of making whole the members of our community who suffer physical or emotional ills with Anointing of the Sick. Please call the parish office if you would like to receive this sacrament.

## FLOCKNOTES



Want to receive timely information from Father Mike? Sign up for email messages at <https://AnnunciationCatholicChu1.flocknote.com/everyone> or on our website – [www.annunciationdc.org](http://www.annunciationdc.org). Please be sure to add [mail@flocknote.com](mailto:mail@flocknote.com) to your address book or safe sender list to ensure delivery.

## GIVE THE GIFT OF SERVICE

Catholic Charities DC encourages you to give back by taking advantage of a variety of volunteer opportunities available in Washington, DC and southern Maryland. For more information on volunteering with Catholic Charities, or to register to volunteer, visit [catholiccharitiesdc.org/volunteer](http://catholiccharitiesdc.org/volunteer).

## PASTOR'S CORNER

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

As you can see, Fr. Frosty, has joined us for a few days. He does not like warm weather so will not stay around for long. I have seen a number of people taking pictures of him and with him. It will be a blessing if you would pray for all priests and especially for those who are discerning if Lord is calling them to priesthood. Our seminarian, Louis McHale, who has been with us for over 8 months is one such man. He will be attending Mount St. Mary's Seminary in the fall. During the season of Lent we will have an opportunity to pray for all seminarians. Please choose a name either from the branch inside the church or online.



Our Gospel for the Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time gives us two of the pastoral duties that Jesus received from the Father, to preach and to heal. Jesus tells all that he has come to bring Good News. The time of our salvation is at hand. It is through words and actions that He makes known the presence of the Father. His mission is ongoing through his Disciples and today through those who have heard His words and do His will. We may not be able to physically bring about a healing but if we share Christ's message of love and forgiveness we can bring healing to a soul. We are able to be Christ like to them. Sometimes just being present, giving a call, or writing a letter is the balm of soothing relief. Jesus has come into our lives; we cannot remain inactive, we must rise up to assist our brothers and sisters.

On February 17, Ash Wednesday, we will have Mass at 8:00am and 11:00am and 7:00pm. Ashes will be distributed by sprinkling them on the top of the head. There will be Eucharistic Adoration from 11:30am to 1:30pm with confessions from 11:30am to 12:30pm. Please accept God's healing gift offered to you.

God's Peace,  
Fr. Mike

## BLESSED SACRAMENT BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

The Shrine of the Most Blessed Sacrament at 3630 Quesada Street, NW Washington, DC, 20015-2538, will offer an eight-week bereavement support group series for adults who have experienced the death of a parent, spouse, child, sibling or significant other. The series will begin **Tuesday, February 9, 2021** and continue for eight consecutive Tuesdays through **March 30, 2021** from 7:00pm-8:30pm. The meetings are virtual and participants need a computer/tablet with a mic and camera to participate. There is no fee but REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED. For more information contact Jim Hoffman at [hoffmanlpc@gmail.com](mailto:hoffmanlpc@gmail.com) or call cell: (202) 577 – 2213.



## A MILLION ROSARIES

Every prayer counts! Please join the Little Sisters of the Poor in praying one million Rosaries to conquer the coronavirus pandemic. Sign up for the one million Rosary campaign at <http://littlesistersofthepoor.org>.



Consider enrolling in eGiving through Faith Direct so that your gift can reach us even when you cannot.

Visit [www.faithdirect.net](http://www.faithdirect.net) and use our church code: DC43 or call 866-507-8757 for a registration form.

### POOR BOX

Donations for the month of February will benefit the FAIR Girls. FAIR Girls offers compassionate care to prevent the exploitation of all girls, with a special emphasis on girls who have experienced homelessness, life inside the foster care system, sexual abuse, and trafficking.

## SAINT OF THE WEEK



## OUR LADY OF LOURDES

19th century

## FEAST FEBRUARY 11

This feast recalls the 18 appearances of Mary to a young French girl, Bernadette Soubirous, from Feb. 11 to July 16, 1858, near a grotto at Lourdes, France. Bernadette did not know the identity of “the beautiful lady in white,” and asked who she was. Mary said, “I am the Immaculate Conception,” the title Pope Pius IX had defined as dogma four years earlier. In 1890 Pope Leo XIII allowed the local Diocese of Tarbes to celebrate this feast; Pope Pius X made it a universal feast in 1907. Lourdes is still the most famous Marian shrine in Western Europe.

## MASS INTENTIONS

**Sunday, February 7** – *Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8:00 a.m.	Sands	Rob Grigg	In Memory
10:00 a.m.	Mellone	Parishioners	Intentions
12:00 p.m.	SOSJ	Alexander Prosk	Intentions

**Monday, February 8** – *Saint Jerome Emiliani; Saint Josephine Bakhita, Virgin*

8:00 a.m.	Mellone	Anthony Chrysakis	In Memory
11:00 a.m.	Mellone	The Taylor Family	In Memory

**Tuesday, February 9** – *Tuesday of the Fifth Week in Ordinary Time*

8:00 a.m.	Mellone	Raymond Zolandz, Sr.	In Memory
11:00 a.m.	Mellone		

**Wednesday, February 10** – *Saint Scholastica, Virgin*

8:00 a.m.	Sands	Barbara Flood	In Memory
11:00 a.m.	Mellone		

**Thursday, February 11** – *Our Lady of Lourdes*

8:00 a.m.	Marchese	Maureen Nolan	In Memory
11:00 a.m.	Mellone	James Armistead	In Memory

**Friday, February 12** – *Friday of the Fifth Week in Ordinary Time*

8:00 a.m.	Marchese	Concepcion & Jaime Cofino	In Memory
11:00 a.m.	Mellone		

**Saturday, February 13** – *Saturday of the Fifth Week in Ordinary Time*

9:00 a.m.	Mellone		
5:30 p.m.	Mellone	Elvira Velasquez	In Memory

**Sunday, February 14** – *Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8:00 a.m.	Mellone	Fran Freeman	In Memory
10:00 a.m.	SOSJ	Parishioners	Intentions
12:00 p.m.	Mellone		

## AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen



## SHARE THE LOVE FOOD DRIVE

Sunday, February 14, 2021

10am till 2pm

Drop your items off at the Annunciation upper parking lot.

Enter and exit on Massachusetts Ave NW.

*We will practice social distancing, and all of our volunteers will wear masks and gloves.*

### Items Needed:

Canned Tuna or Chicken

Dry Cereal (Cheerios, Bran Flakes)

Canned Vegetables (Green Beans, Peas, Corn)

Soup (Hearty varieties are best)

Canned Fruit (any kind)

Peanut Butter and Jelly (Plastic containers please!)

Baked Beans (cans) and Rice (any size)

Pasta and Pasta Sauce (Plastic containers please!)

**Grocery Gift Cards welcome!**



Benefits Inner City Washington Food Pantries at  
St. Thomas More, St. Vincent de Paul, Holy Name, and  
St. Luke through the John S. Mulholland Family Foundation

**Thank you for your generosity!**

## 2021 ANNUAL APPEAL

The 2021 Annual Appeal is here! This year's theme is *Seeking Christ* to remind us in this time of hardship and need that Christ is the one, true source of the healing, unity, and love that we all seek. Through our collective support of the Annual Appeal, we strengthen the Body of Christ that is our local Church, and we sustain her many charitable works that serve the spiritual and other needs of all those within and beyond our parish boundaries. Your gift will also be credited towards our parish goal. Learn more about the Annual Appeal at [appeal.adw.org](http://appeal.adw.org).



## THIS WEEK ...

Sunday, February 7

CLOW—10:00am (Zoom)

Faith Fun — 10:30am (Zoom)

Monday, February 8

Religious Ed/Grade 1

3:30pm (Zoom)

Religious Ed/Grade 2

4:00pm (Zoom)

Tuesday, February 9

Bible Study—1:00pm (Zoom)

Religious Ed/Grade 3

3:30pm (Zoom)

Religious Ed/Grades 5 & 6

4:00pm (Zoom)

Wednesday, February 10

Confession— 11:30am (Church)

Eucharistic Adoration

11:30am—1:30pm (Church)

Religious Ed/Grade 4

3:30pm (Zoom)

Religious Ed/CP 1 & CP 2

4:00pm (Zoom)

Bible Study—7:00pm (Zoom)

Thursday, February 11

Contemplative Prayer

6:20pm (Zoom)

Saturday, February 13

Mass—9:00am (Church)

First Reconciliation Retreat

10:00am (Zoom)

Confession

4:15pm—5:15pm (Chapel)

Mass — 5:30pm (Church)

## 2021 LENT SCHEDULE

### Ash Wednesday

February 17, 2021

Masses at 8am, 11am & 7pm  
(*Eucharistic Adoration and Confessions  
from 11:30am to 1:30pm*)

### Divine Mercy Chaplet

Fridays, February 19 thru March 26  
(3:00pm) Zoom

### Stations of the Cross

Fridays, February 19 thru March 26  
(7:00pm)

### The Light is on For You

Wednesdays — February 24 thru  
March 31

Eucharistic Adoration (11:30am—  
1:30pm)

Confessions (11:30am—12:30pm and  
6:30pm—7:30pm)

Confessions Saturday (4:15pm to  
5:15pm)

### Holy Thursday, April 1

(No 8am or 11am Mass)

Morning Prayer (9:00am)

Confession (9:30am to 10:30am)

Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7:00pm

### Good Friday, April 2

(No 8am or 11am Mass)

Morning Prayer (9:00am)

Confessions (9:30am to 10:30 am)

Stations of the Cross at 3:00pm

Confessions at 3:30pm—5:00pm

Passion of the Lord at 7:00pm

### Holy Saturday, April 3

(No 9am or 5:30pm Mass)

Morning Prayer (9:00am)

Confessions (9:30 to 10:30)

Easter Vigil at 8:00pm

### Easter Sunday

Masses at 8:00am, 10:00am & 12:00pm

## DISTRIBUTION OF ASHES ON ASH WEDNESDAY

The Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments has changed how Catholic priests are to distribute ashes because of Covid-19.

After blessing the ashes and sprinkling them with holy water in silence, the priest addresses those present, reciting once the formula found in the Roman Missal: "Repent, and believe in the Gospel" or "Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return". At that point, the priest cleanses his hands, puts on a face mask, and distributes ashes to those who come to him or, if appropriate, he goes to those who are standing in their places. He then sprinkles the ashes on each person's head "without saying anything." As modeled by Pope Francis, the ashes are sprinkled above the individual's head so that immediate physical contact is avoided. The sprinkling of ashes on the head is an ancient practice of the Church still used in many countries.

## 2021 SCHOLARSHIP COMPETITION FOR EIGHTH (8<sup>th</sup>) GRADE STUDENTS

The Lucinda L. Jasper Scholarship Fund, Inc. (LLJSF) announces The 2021 Lucinda L. Jasper Scholarship Competition. The LLJSF Competition is open to all eighth grade students attending a Catholic elementary school in the Archdiocese of Washington D.C. who are attending a Catholic high school in the fall in the Archdiocese of Washington D.C.

The Lucinda L. Jasper Scholarship Competition officially opens January 21, 2021.

Interested students can apply online at <http://www.lljsf.org/>. Visit the website, <http://www.lljsf.org/>, to find the application packet which contains the application form, school report, teacher recommendation, the criteria, and details for 1500-2500 word essay on January 21, 2021.

Students must complete an application form, write a 1500-2500 word essay, provide one teacher recommendation and have the principal submit a school report. Details on the essay submission can be found at the website, <http://www.lljsf.org/>. Submissions are accepted **ONLY** online. **All materials (application form, essay, school report and recommendations) must be successfully submitted online no later than 11:59 pm March 31, 2021.**

For more information, visit <http://www.lljsf.org/> or contact Charmene Alston, Director of Applications, at 301-780-5313 or send an email to [lljsf@aol.com](mailto:lljsf@aol.com).

## 2021 CHRISTMAS BAZAAR DONATIONS

Now accepting donations of the following for the 2021 Christmas Bazaar and the NEW Online Curiosity Shoppe: *Jewelry, Antique Treasures, Christmas Decorations, Home and Kitchen Items, Scarves and Handbags, Toys and Sporting Goods*



**Please—No Books, CDs, DVDs, or Clothing!**

Please contact Tina Lindberg at [lindberg@annunciationdc.org](mailto:lindberg@annunciationdc.org) or 202-362-3323 x15 to schedule an appointment.

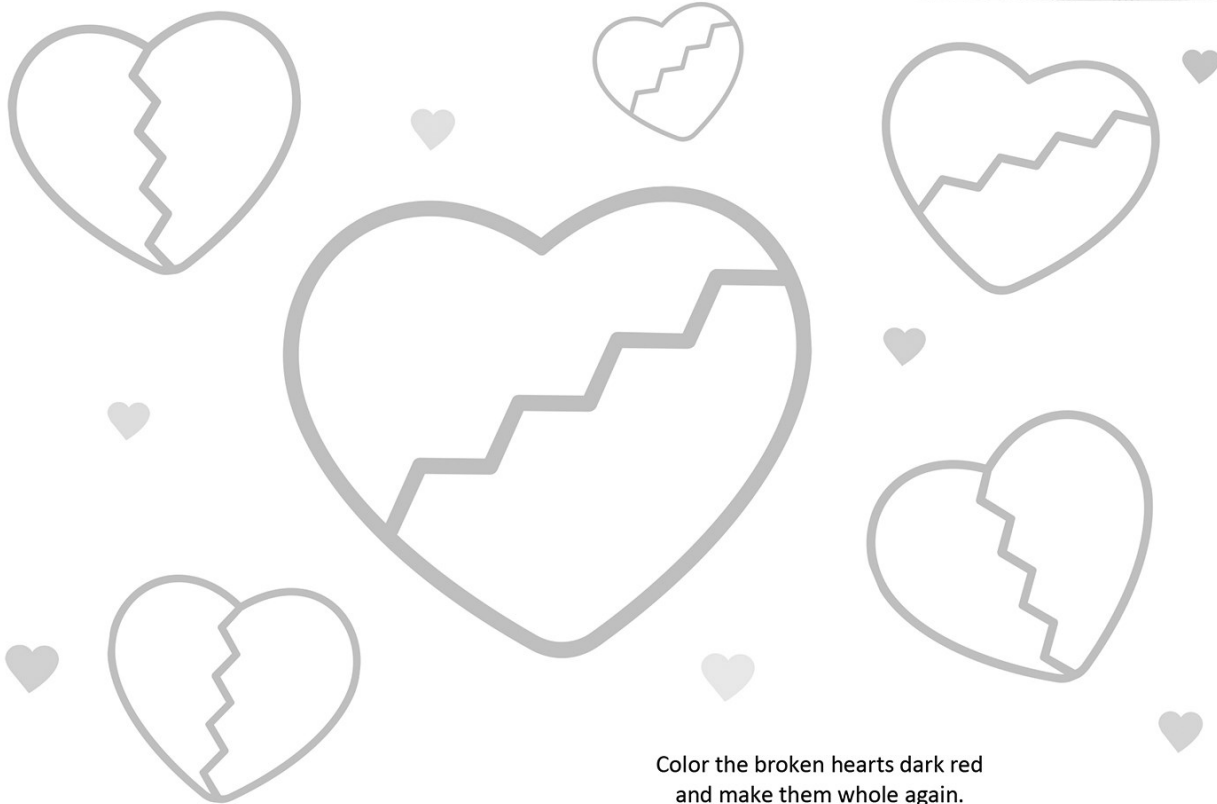
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## Gospel Today

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time | Mark 1:29-39

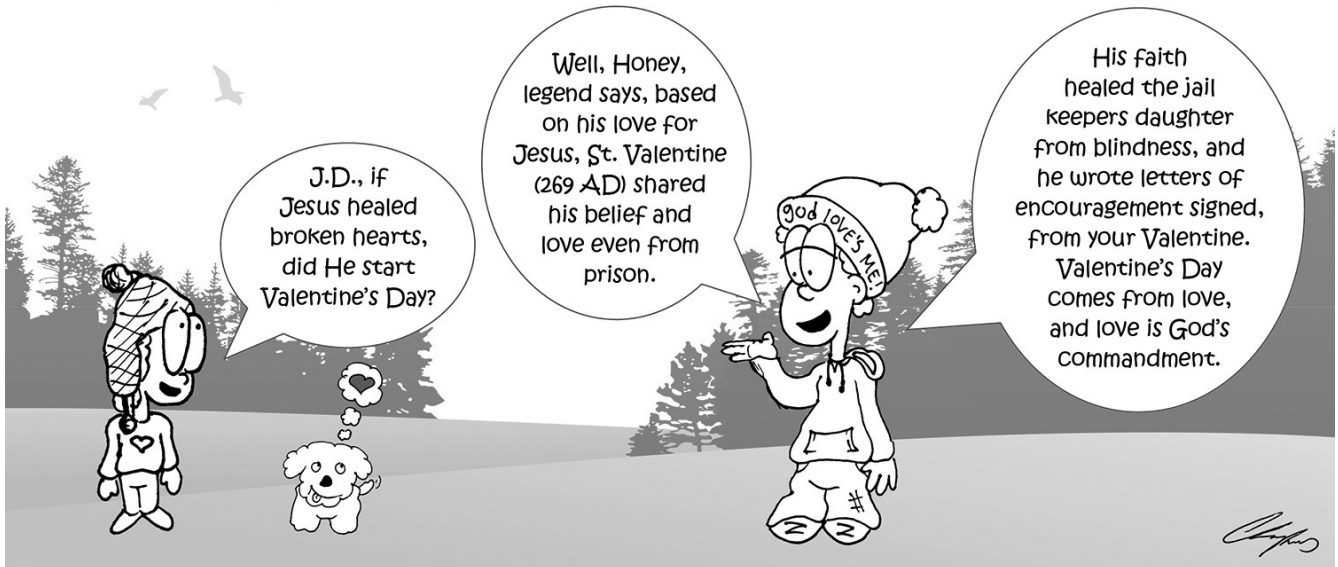
Jesus healed many people as He and His disciples moved from town to town.

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Color the broken hearts dark red and make them whole again.

## SWEET as HONEY



J.D., if Jesus healed broken hearts, did He start Valentine's Day?

Well, Honey, legend says, based on his love for Jesus, St. Valentine (269 AD) shared his belief and love even from prison.

His faith healed the jail keepers daughter from blindness, and he wrote letters of encouragement signed, from your Valentine. Valentine's Day comes from love, and love is God's commandment.

*Chapman*