

September 5, 2021

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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

Monday– Friday
8:00am

RECONCILIATION

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



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TWENTY THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FIRST READING: ISAIAH 35:4-7a

Isaiah tells the people to be strong and unafraid. God will save his people, and the blind will see, the deaf will hear, and the lame will walk. Streams will come forth in the desert, the sandy ground will become springs of water.

SECOND READING: JAMES 2:1-5

James encourages the people to never show favoritism. He discusses an usher who escorted a rich man to the best seat, while ignoring a poor man. God chose poor people to be rich in faith, so we should never judge people by their riches.

GOSPEL: MARK 7:31-37

Some people brought a deaf man who could not speak to Jesus and begged him to lay his hand on the man. Jesus opened the man's ears and cured his speech impediment. He ordered the people not to tell anyone, but they were too amazed to keep this to themselves.

PRAY WITH SCRIPTURE

Monday	Col 1:24–2:3; Lk 6:6-11
Tuesday	Col 2:6-15; Lk 6:12-19
Wednesday	Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30; Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 or 1:18-23
Thursday	Col 3:12-17; Lk 6:27-38
Friday	1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14; Lk 6:39-42
Saturday	1 Tm 1:15-17; Lk 6:43-49

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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, 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. Please be sure to add 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.

PASTOR'S CORNER

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

It was a blessing for me to greet so many of you before the 10:00am Mass this past weekend. I hope to do this at the different Masses over the next couple of weeks. Your prayers are a great support and I know the Lord is hearing them and responding with His mercy and love.



This weekend marks a transition for many of us from summer relaxation back to work, school, and parish activities. I do hope you were able to enjoy some diversions from your normal or required routines. Now we can all involve ourselves in the various activities both temporal and spiritual of our church and community. May the Lord send his blessing on all we are called to do and choose to do, especially in His name.

In the Rite of Baptism, the minister says the same word as Jesus, "Ephphatha!" which means be open as he touches the person's ears and lips. Each and every day we are invited to hear and speak the words our Lord God has placed in our hearts. We share the great deeds he has done for us and others. It is important to know and to proclaim the Good News of the Lord. May we never shy away from giving God the glory.

God's Peace,
Fr. Mike

THE CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY OF AMERICA COLLECTION

Our second collection on September 5th will be for Catholic University. Founded in 1887, CUA offers students an excellent education in a faith-filled atmosphere that is grounded in the Catholic intellectual tradition. The Collection for The Catholic University of America underwrites scholarships to assist financially deserving students in completing their education at CUA in over 50 disciplines. Your generosity is appreciated.

*The Annunciation
Bazaar Volunteers are
taking a vacation!!*

**We are not able to
accept any donations
until late September.**

Only jewelry will continue to be accepted.
**Please contact Tina Lindberg at 202-362-3323 x15 or
lindberg@annunciationdc.org if you wish to donate jewelry.**



Consider enrolling in eGiving through Faith Direct so that your gift can reach us even when you cannot. Visit 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 September support the DC Food Project and Weekend Bag Program which provides weekend meals for students.

SAINT OF THE WEEK



SAINT TERESA OF KOLKATA

1910-1997

Feast Day – September 7

Raised in a deeply Catholic family in Albania, Agnes Gonxha Bojaxhiu joined the Sisters of Loreto in 1928 and took the name Teresa. The community sent her to Kolkata, India, where she taught children for two decades. In 1946 Teresa heard God's call to quench the thirst of Jesus by caring for the poorest of the poor. She left the Sisters of Loreto to rescue the sick and destitute in the slums of Kolkata – one at a time. Many volunteers soon joined her and she formed them into her religious order, the Missionaries of Charity. Teresa's manifest goodness and her unique media savvy attracted global attention, drawing many people to God. Many regard her as the greatest Catholic evangelist of the 20th century. She was beatified in 2003 and canonized in 2016.

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MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, September 5—*Twenty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8:00 a.m.	TBD	Parishioners	Intentions
10:00 a.m.	TBD	Elvira Velasquez	In Memory
12:00 p.m.	TBD	Teresita Quintos	In Memory

Monday, September 6—*Monday of the 23rd Week in Ordinary Time*

8:00 a.m.	Marchese	Mary Ellen Kirst	In Memory
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Tuesday, September 7—*Tuesday of the 23rd Week in Ordinary Time*

8:00 a.m.	Marchese	Albert Lucius DePaul	In Memory
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Wednesday, September 8—*The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

8:00 a.m.	Sands	Anthony Chrysakis	In Memory
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Thursday, September 9—*Saint Peter Claver, Priest*

8:00 a.m.	Marchese	Edward Jerome O'Callaghan	In Memory
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Friday, September 10—*Friday of the 23rd Week in Ordinary Time*

8:00 a.m.	Marchese	Nelson Romoleroux	In Memory
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Saturday, September 11—*Saturday of the 23rd Week in Ordinary Time*

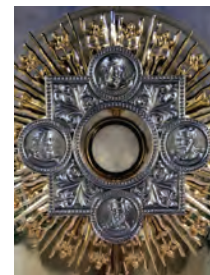
9:00 a.m.	TBD	Juan Fernandez	In Memory
5:30 p.m.	TBD	Monsignor Michael Mellone	Intentions

Sunday, September 12—*Twenty Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8:00 a.m.	TBD	Concepcion & Jaime Cofino	In Memory
10:00 a.m.	TBD	William & Jeanne Cassidy	In Memory
12:00 p.m.	TBD	Parishioners	Intentions

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



DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET

Join us for the Divine Mercy Chaplet on Fridays at 3pm in the church or virtually via zoom. Contact Tina Lindberg, lindberg@annunciationdc.org for the Zoom coordinates or more details.





“Jesus teaches us another way: Go. Go and share your testimony, go and interact with your brothers, go and share. Become the Word in body as well as spirit”. Pope Francis

ARE YOU READY TO STEP OUTSIDE YOUR WORLD AND TOUCH THE LIVES OF OTHERS?

We invite you to share your time and talent by participating in a ministry or activity in our parish. What are your gifts? What talents do you want to share with others? Please review the volunteer opportunities and prayerfully consider sharing your gifts with the parish community.

Consider talking to Andreja Mezek or Tina Lindberg to explore how you can serve. Call 202.362.3323 or email at: mezek@annunciationdc.org, lindberg@annunciationdc.org or see us at Sunday Masses!

CHILDREN’S FAITH FORMATION

Want to learn more about your faith? Try teaching! Our children’s education and liturgy programs are in need of adults who want to make a difference in our children’s faith life. Each grade level has 3 to 4 adults so that the commitment is once a month or so and based on your availability!

The Faith formation program meets on Wednesday evenings 7pm to 8 :15pm, September through the beginning of May. All lesson plans are done for you! (and we like to have fun!)

CHILDREN’S LITURGY OF THE WORD LEADER

Meets on Sundays during the Liturgy of the Word portion of Mass at the 10am Mass. Proclaim the weekly readings to children. Sessions begin in September. All materials and activities provided...guaranteed to make you a scripture scholar!

CHILDREN’S FAITH FUN PROGRAM LEADER

Meets on Sundays at 10:30am to 11am. This is a scripture-based learning experience for children ages 5 and under. Sessions begin in September. All materials, activities supplied. Adult & teen help provided.

LECTORS, EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS, USHERS & ALTAR SERVERS

Lectors proclaim the Word at Mass during the week, weekends, and Holy Days. Prayer of the Faithful and announcements are added on the weekend.

Eucharistic Ministers help with the distribution of Holy Communion at Mass.

Ushers welcome parishioners as they arrive for Mass and help find seats as necessary, collect the offertory, and distribute the bulletin.

Altar Servers assist the priest at Mass. Adults welcome!

Serve at the Mass of your choice and availability. Training and preparation provided.

AID TO HAITI

If you would like to make a contribution to assist the people of Haiti, contact Catholic Relief Services: online: crs.org; by phone: 877-435-7277 from 8 a.m. to 11 p.m. Eastern; by mail: P.O. Box 17090, Baltimore, Maryland, 21297-0303

THIS WEEK ...

Thursday, September 9

Contemplative Prayer
6:20pm (Zoom)

Friday, September 3

Divine Mercy Chaplet
3:00pm (Church)

Saturday, September 11

Mass
9:00am (Church)
Confession
4:15pm—5:15pm (Chapel)
Mass
5:30pm (Church)



IT'S TIME TO REGISTER!

Religious Education in person sessions will begin in September.

If your child is entering 1st grade this fall, they should be enrolled so they are able to receive their First Communion in second grade. A two-year preparation period is required for all students preparing to receive a sacrament. Our faith is a lifelong process of formation and knowledge.



Forms may be found on our website under the Faith Formation tab. For more information contact Andreja Mezek at 202.362.3323 ext. 13 or mezek@annunciationdc.org for information.

RCIA

THINKING ABOUT BECOMING CATHOLIC? HAVEN'T COMPLETED THE SACRAMENTS OF CONFIRMATION OR COMMUNION?

Do you know anyone who is interested in learning about the Catholic Faith or considering becoming Catholic?

RCIA, (the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) is the place for them. For children over the age of 7, we have a process call RCIC, (the Rite of Christian Initiation for Children). Sessions begin in September.

Our website has information about the process. Please feel free to contact Andreja Mezek at 202.362.3323 ext. 13 or mezek@annunciationdc.org for information.



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Gospel Today

Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time | Mark 7:31-37

Jesus took the deaf man away from the crowd and putting His finger in the man's ear, Jesus called out "Ephphatha!", meaning "be opened!". Suddenly the man could hear and began to speak plainly.

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He has done all things well. He makes the deaf hear and the mute speak.

Mark 7:37

1 Some people brought Jesus _____.

- a) a blind man
- b) a deaf man
- c) a leper

2 Jesus took the man _____.

- a) home
- b) into town
- c) away from the crowd

3 Jesus touched the man's ear with _____.

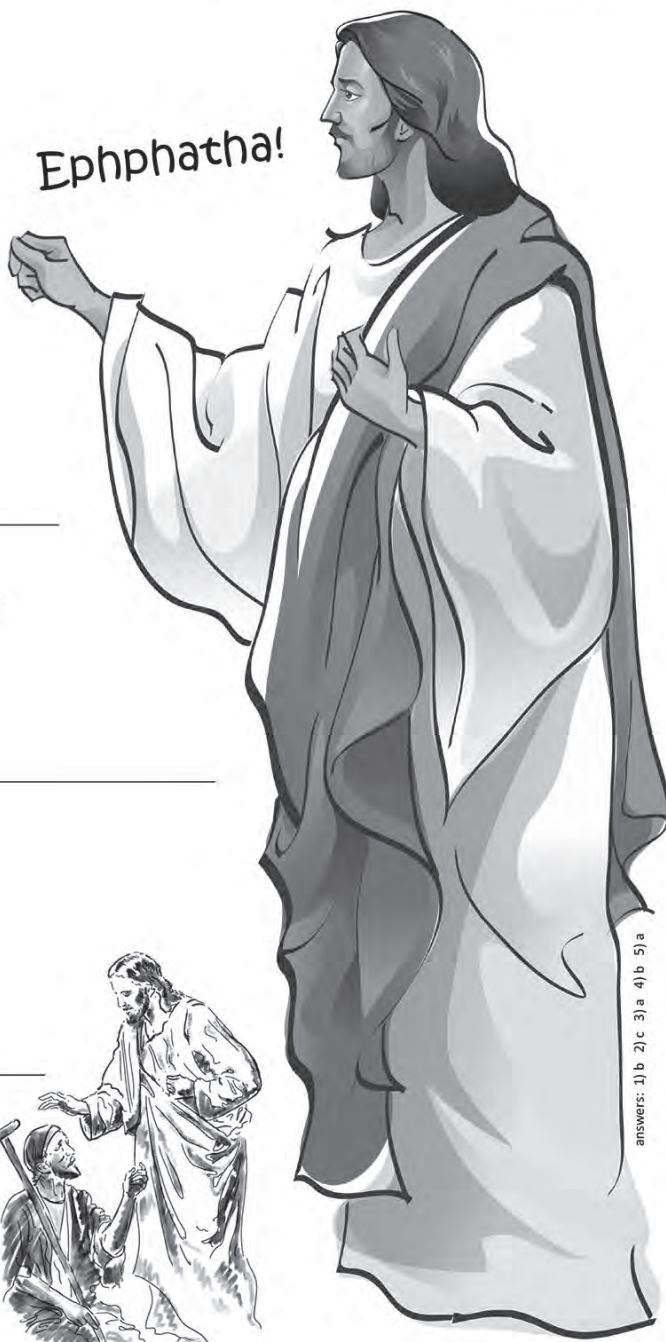
- a) His finger
- b) a stick
- c) a candle

4 Jesus spoke the word "Ephphatha", which means _____.

- a) "be healed!"
- b) "be opened!"
- c) "be quiet!"

5 The man could now hear, his speech corrected and he _____.

- a) spoke plainly
- b) went home
- c) kept quiet



answers: 1) b 2) c 3) a 4) b 5) a

St. Mary's Retreat

"Living Virtuously Through Daily Decisions"

***Join us for our first ever Fall retreat
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September 10-11, 2021

\$20 per person

-Friday-

6:45- Rosary
7:00- Retreat Welcome & Intro
7:15- Talk 1
8:00- Discussion
8:30- Eucharistic Adoration
9:20- Compline & Benediction

-Saturday-

8:45- Chaplet of Divine
Mercy
9:00- Mass
9:45- Coffee
10:15- Talk 2
11:00- Discussion
11:30- Silent Prayer &
Reflection
12:00- Lunch
1:00- Talk 3
1:45- Discussion
2:15- Coffee
2:45- Adoration & Holy
Hour
3:45- Benediction
4:00- Rosary then Blessing
and Conclusion
5:00- Vigil Mass (Optional)



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