

March 10, 2019

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday

9:00am, Vigil 5:30pm

Miraculous Medal Novena

after the Saturday 9am Mass

Sunday

7:30am, 9:00am, 10:30am, &
12:30pm

Children's Liturgy of the Word

at the Sunday 9:00am Mass

Monday

8:00am, 11:00am & 7:00pm

Tuesday-Friday

8:00am & 11:00am

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Wednesday

11:30am-8pm

RECONCILIATION

Wednesday

11:30am-12:30pm

& 7:00pm—8:00pm

Saturday

4:15pm-5:15pm

Or call the rectory for an
appointment

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FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

FIRST READING: DEUTERONOMY 26:4-10

Moses discusses the power God has displayed in freeing his people from oppression and leading them to a rich land. He tells the people that they should make offerings to God to show their gratitude, then celebrate over the great things he has given them.

SECOND READING: ROMANS 10:8-13

Paul tells us that if we proclaim, "Jesus is Lord" and truly believe that God raised him from the dead, we will be saved. For God shows his mercy toward everyone who calls upon his name.

GOSPEL: LUKE 4:1-13

Jesus fasted in the desert for forty days, then Satan appeared to him and tempted him to turn stone into bread. After Jesus refused, Satan promised him great powers if Jesus would worship him. Jesus replied that he would worship God and no one else. Then Satan tried to persuade Jesus to put God to the test, but again Jesus resisted his temptation.

PRAY WITH SCRIPTURE

Monday Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Mt 25:31-46

Tuesday Is 55:10-11; Mt 6:7-15

Wednesday Jon 3:1-10; Lk 11:29-32

Thursday Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Mt 7:7-12

Friday Ez 18:21-28; Mt 5:20-26

Saturday Dt 26:16-19; Mt 5:43-48

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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.

TELEPHONE ROSARY FOR HEALING

The Washington Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women (WACCW) is hosting a telephone Rosary call from now until September 4, 2019, with the special intention of healing for all hurt by individuals within the Church. All are welcome to join the call at 8pm EST, Mondays-Saturdays, at 605-468-8016, code 357090#. For more information, contact Sharon O'Brien, WACCW President, at ArchdioceseCCW@gmail.com, and follow on Facebook at [Facebook.com/WashACCW](https://www.facebook.com/WashACCW).



PASTOR'S CORNER

Dear Parishioners,

The season of Lent is upon us even though we are still in the midst of winter and the temperature still chills our bodies. The thoughts of spring beckons us to venture out of our shells and explore new life that comes forth from the earth. Throughout these Forty Days we are called to deeply experience the passion, death and resurrection of the Lord. It is time to turn in on ourselves so we may turn out to the Lord and rejoice in the new life He promises. In turning in we look to discover where in our lives the grace of God needs to work. One of the ways we can examine our lives is to reflect on the various Virtues we discover in the Bible, the Theological Virtues: **Faith, Hope, and Love**; the Cardinal Virtues: **Prudence, Temperance, Courage, and Justice**. By centering our Lent on any one of these virtues we will discover areas in our life that need to be healed by the Lord. The Lord pleads with us this Lent not to lose the opportunity to grow in our relationship with Christ and His Church and to truly make this a season of grace filled with joy and peace. Please avail yourself of the additional Masses and Reconciliation times throughout Lent. We do all of this so we may rejoice at Easter.



Some of you may know that our School Principal, Mr. Nathaniel Juarez and his wife Niamh, will be moving to California at the end of the school year. We wish them all the best in their future and look forward to them visiting us as time allows. I would like to thank them for the service and joy they have brought to Annunciation Parish and School.

God's Peace,
Fr. Mike



2019 CHRISTMAS BAZAAR DONATIONS

Cleaning up after Christmas? Making room for new things? Consider making a donation to the 2019 Christmas Bazaar! Drop your items off at the parish office, Tuesday-Friday from 10am-2pm. Many thanks!

SQUARE DANCE

There will be a Square Dance on Tuesday, March 19th in the Parish Center. Enjoy a Pot Luck Dinner at 6:30pm with dancing to follow. For more information contact Leo Gorman at 202-244-2394.



ANNUNCIATION YOUNG ADULT EVENTS

SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES with Annunciation Volunteers!

Contact **Tom Keenan, YA Service Chair** if you have any questions: twkeenan6@gmail.com or 847-902-1405. Upcoming service events will be posted on FB/AnnunciationDCYA.

Sign up for emails about Young Adult events on our website www.annunciationdc.org

YOUNG AT HEART LENTEN LUNCHEON

Please join us for a Lenten Luncheon on Wednesday, March 27, 2019 following the 11:00am Mass.

Monsignor Mellone will join us to offer grace and a Lenten Reflection followed by sandwich making for a local homeless shelter. Please RSVP by March 20, 2019 to Stephanie Lucas at 202-362-3323 or parish@annunciationdc.org.



SAINT OF THE WEEK



LOUISE DE MARILAC

1590-1660

FEAST MARCH 15

Born in Auvergne, France, Louise married an official of the royal court, Antoine Le Gras. Following his death in 1625, and despite strained finances and bouts of melancholy, she was an active supporter of St. Vincent de Paul's charitable works and became co-founder with him of the Daughters of Charity. She drew up the first draft of their rule. By the time of her death, the order had established 40 houses in France, and Daughters of Charity were looking after the sick poor in Parisian parishes and sheltering hundreds of women.

CNS Saints

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, March 10 – *First Sunday of Lent*

7:30 a.m.	Mellone	Benefactors	Intentions
9:00 a.m.	Wakefield	Vocations	Intentions
10:30 a.m.	Antonicelli	Parishioners	Intentions
12:30 p.m.	Wakefield	Sister Virginia Dunn	In Memory

Monday, March 11 – *Monday of the First Week in Lent*

8:00 a.m.	Wakefield	Falla Children	In Memory
11:00 a.m.	Mellone	John Meredith	In Memory
7:00 p.m.	Wakefield	Andrea Clune	In Memory

Tuesday, March 12 – *Tuesday of the First Week in Lent*

8:00 a.m.	Mellone	Hector Eduardo Falla	In Memory
11:00 a.m.	Wakefield	Forgotten Souls in Purgatory	In Memory

Wednesday, March 13 – *Wednesday of the First Week in Lent*

8:00 a.m.	Mellone	Jacqueline Deckard	In Memory
11:00 a.m.	Wakefield	Romana Miaco	In Memory

Thursday, March 14 – *Thursday of the First Week in Lent*

8:00 a.m.	Marchese	Rolando Castanedo	In Memory
11:00 a.m.	Mellone	Emilio Añez	In Memory

Friday, March 15 – *Friday of the First Week in Lent*

8:00 a.m.	Marchese	Bernardo & Elvira Velasquez	In Memory
11:00 a.m.	Mellone	Pat Frohman	In Memory

Saturday, March 16 – *Saturday of the First Week in Lent*

9:00 a.m.	Mellone	William & Marilyn Panke	In Memory
5:30 p.m.	Wakefield	Jorge Alberto & Maria Teresa Duran	In Memory

Sunday, March 17 – *Second Sunday of Lent*

7:30 a.m.	Mellone	Vocations	Intentions
9:00 a.m.	Wakefield	Parishioners	Intentions
10:30 a.m.	Mellone	Sister Virginia Dunn	In Memory
12:30 p.m.	Antonicelli	Benefactors	Intentions

We can bring Holy Communion to those who are sick or home-bound.

Ministers are available to visit any member of Annunciation who cannot attend Sunday Liturgy due to extended health issues or the infirmities of age. Please call Tina Lindberg at 202-362-3323 x 15 or email lindberg@annunciationdc.org. Weekly Eucharist, prayer, fellowship, and sharing news from Annunciation keeps us all in communion as the Body of Christ.

Please continue to pray for all our parishioners who are hospitalized, home-bound, or living in a care facility.

THIS WEEK ...

- 3/10 Sunday** CLOW – 9:00am (Parish Center)
Faith Fun – 9:30am (Parish Center)
- 3/12 Tuesday** Adult Bible Study – 11:30am (Parish Center)
Baptism Preparation – 7:00pm (CR)
- 3/13 Wednesday** Eucharistic Adoration – 11:30am (Church)
Children’s Choir Practice – 6:30pm (Parish Center)
Adult Faith Formation – 7:00pm (Parish Center)
Religious Education – 7:00pm (School & PC)
- 3/14 Thursday** RCIA – 4:30pm (CR)
Contemplative Prayer – 6:25pm (CR)
Choir Rehearsal – 7:30pm (Church)
- 3/15 Friday** Living Stations – 7:00pm (Church)
Lenten Dinner – 7:30pm (Parish Center)
- 3/16 Saturday** Lenten Dinner & Reflection – 6:30pm (Parish Center)

2019 ANNUAL JUBILARIAN MASS

The annual Jubilarian Mass honoring couples married 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50 and 51+ years will be held Sunday, June 23, 2019 at 2:00pm at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. Please call the parish office or use the sign-up forms in the back of church to register. Names of jubilarians need to be turned in to the parish office by Friday, April 19.

**2019 SCHOLARSHIP COMPETITION FOR EIGHTH GRADE STUDENTS**

The Lucinda L. Jasper Scholarship Fund, Inc. (LLJSF) announces the 2019 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.

Interested students can apply online at <http://www.lljsf.org/>. 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 and are due by 11:59 pm March 31, 2019.

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.



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.

SECOND COLLECTION

March 17, 2019

Ministry to the Homeless

POOR BOX

Donations for the month of March will benefit Catholic Relief Services whose mission is to assist impoverished and disadvantaged people overseas, working in the spirit of Catholic social teaching.

This week’s bulletin is made possible by our sponsor

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Additional Daily Mass

Every Monday
March 11 thru April 8
7:00pm

Stations of the Cross

Every Friday
March 8 thru April 12
7:00pm

The Light is on For You

Every Wednesday
March 13 thru April 17

Eucharistic Adoration
11:30am – 8:00pm

Confessions
11:30am – 12:30pm &
7:00pm – 8:00pm

Lenten Dinner

Friday, March 15
7:30pm

Young at Heart Luncheon and Service Project

Wednesday, March 27
11:30am

JOIN THE CIA!

Students need Community Service Hours? **Come join the CIA!** All High School, 7th & 8th grades are invited to participate! Students are not obligated to participate in all the events listed. Contact Sue Lohsen at sue@lohse.com or Patrice Morace at morace@annunciationdc.org to get on our email list. Parent drivers/chaperones welcome! Visit our page on the parish website www.annunciationdc.org/catholics-in-action-/-cia.html for dates and times.



March Schedule

Saturday, March 23rd – IONA
Saturday, March 30th – Food Drive

VOCATIONS TREE

Here's something simple you and your family can do for Lent! On Ash Wednesday, you will see a "Vocations Tree" in the church foyer with cards hanging on it. Each card has information about a seminarian of the Archdiocese of Washington. We invite you to choose a card (or more than one!) and pray for that seminarian each day during Lent. Who knows? You could be praying for a future pastor of our parish!



FORTY DAYS – FORTY ITEMS CHALLENGE

Wednesday, March 6th, is the first day of Lent. Each day of Lent remove one item from your closet that you no longer wear or need and put it into a bag provided for you. Bring the filled bag back to church at the end of the forty days. We will donate these items to someone who can really use them!

*Please only items that are clean, free of stains/smells and in good condition.

EMPTY BOWLS SOUP SUPPER FUNDRAISER FOR SOME

Join us on Tuesday, March 12, 2019 from 6:30-8pm at Blessed Sacrament. Guests are invited to take home handmade bowls crafted by local artists after enjoying a meal of soup, bread, and dessert donated by local restaurants. Tickets are \$25 per person. Please contact Tina Lindberg if you are interested in going or have any questions at lindberg@annunciationdc.org or 202-362-3323 x15.





QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS ABOUT LENT AND LENTEN PRACTICES

Q. Why do we say that there are forty days of Lent? When you count all the days from Ash Wednesday through Holy Saturday, there are 46.

A. It might be more accurate to say that there is the "forty day fast within Lent." Historically, Lent has varied from a week to three weeks to the present configuration of 46 days. The forty day fast, however, has been more stable. The Sundays of Lent are certainly part of the Time of Lent, but they are not prescribed days of fast and abstinence.

Q. So does that mean that when we give something up for Lent, such as candy, we can have it on Sundays?

A. Apart from the prescribed days of fast and abstinence on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, and the days of abstinence every Friday of Lent, Catholics have traditionally chosen additional penitential practices for the whole Time of Lent. These practices are disciplinary in nature and often more effective if they are continuous, i.e., kept on Sundays as well. That being said, such practices are not regulated by the Church, but by individual conscience.

Q. I've noticed that restaurants and grocery stores advertise specials on expensive types of fish and seafood on Fridays during Lent. Some of my Catholic friends take advantage of these deals, but somehow I don't feel right treating myself to the lobster special on Fridays during Lent.

A. While fish, lobster and other shellfish are not considered meat and can be consumed on days of abstinence, indulging in the lavish buffet at your favorite seafood place sort of misses the point. Abstaining from meat and other indulgences during Lent is a penitential practice. On the Fridays of Lent, we remember the sacrifice of Christ on Good Friday and unite ourselves with that sacrifice through abstinence and prayer.

Q. I understand that Catholics ages 18 to 59 should fast on Ash Wednesday and on Good Friday, but what exactly are the rules for these fasts?

A. Fasting on these days means we can have only one full, meatless meal. Some food can be taken at the other regular meal times if necessary, *but combined they should be less than a full meal*. Liquids are allowed at any time, but no solid food should be consumed between meals.

Q. Are there exemptions other than for age from the requirement to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday?

A. Those that are excused from fast and abstinence outside the age limits include the physically or mentally ill including individuals suffering from chronic illnesses such as diabetes. Also excluded are pregnant or nursing women. In all cases, common sense should prevail, and ill persons should not further jeopardize their health by fasting.

—from the US Conference of Catholic Bishops

How to Go to Confession...

May the Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ,
the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary and of all
the saints,
whatever good you do and suffering you endure,
heal your sins,
help you grow in holiness,
and reward you with eternal life.
Go in peace.

—*Rite of Penance*, no. 93

- 1 PREPARATION:** Before going to confession, take some time to prepare. Begin with prayer, and reflect on your life since your last confession. How have you—in your thoughts, words, and actions—neglected to live Christ’s commands to “love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind,” and to “love your neighbor as yourself” (Mt 22:37, 39)? As a help with this “examination of conscience,” you might review the Ten Commandments or the Beatitudes (Ex 20:2-17; Dt 5:6-21; Mt 5:3-10; or Lk 6:20-26).
- 2 GREETING:** The priest will welcome you; he may say a short blessing or read a Scripture passage.
- 3 THE SIGN OF THE CROSS:** Together, you and the priest will make the Sign of the Cross. You may then begin your confession with these or similar words: “Bless me, Father, for I have sinned. It has been [*give days, months, or years*] since my last confession.”
- 4 CONFESSION:** Confess all your sins to the priest. If you are unsure what to say, ask the priest for help. When you are finished, conclude with these or similar words: “I am sorry for these and all my sins.”
- 5 PENANCE:** The priest will propose an act of penance. The penance might be prayer, a work of mercy, or an act of charity. He might also counsel you on how to better live a Christian life.
- 6 ACT OF CONTRITION:** After the priest has conferred your penance, pray an Act of Contrition, expressing sorrow for your sins and resolving to sin no more. A suggested Act of Contrition is:

My God,
I am sorry for my sins with all my heart.
In choosing to do wrong
and failing to do good,
I have sinned against you
whom I should love above all things.
I firmly intend, with your help,
to do penance,
to sin no more,
and to avoid whatever leads me to sin.
Our Savior Jesus Christ
suffered and died for us.
In his name, my God, have mercy.
(Rite of Penance, no. 45)
- 7 ABSOLUTION:** The priest will extend his hands over your head and pronounce the words of absolution. You respond, “Amen.”
- 8 PRAISE:** The priest will usually praise the mercy of God and will invite you to do the same. For example, the priest may say, “Give thanks to the Lord for he is good.” And your response would be, “His mercy endures for ever” (*Rite of Penance, no. 47*).
- 9 DISMISSAL:** The priest will conclude the sacrament, often saying, “Go in peace.”

If it has been a while since your last confession, remember, “Do not fear” (Is 41:10). The priest will help guide you. And feel free to take this how-to guide with you! (For more information, visit www.usccb.org/confession.)

DID YOU KNOW?

At Annunciation, you can choose between a face-to-face or anonymous confession. The doors to the confessional next to the wall are for face-to-face confession. If you desire an anonymous confession use the doors on the other side of the confessional. Remember that confessions are absolutely confidential. The priest will never share your sins with *anyone* else. He is instructed to keep the seal of the confessional even under pain of death; so do not let your worries affect your confession.

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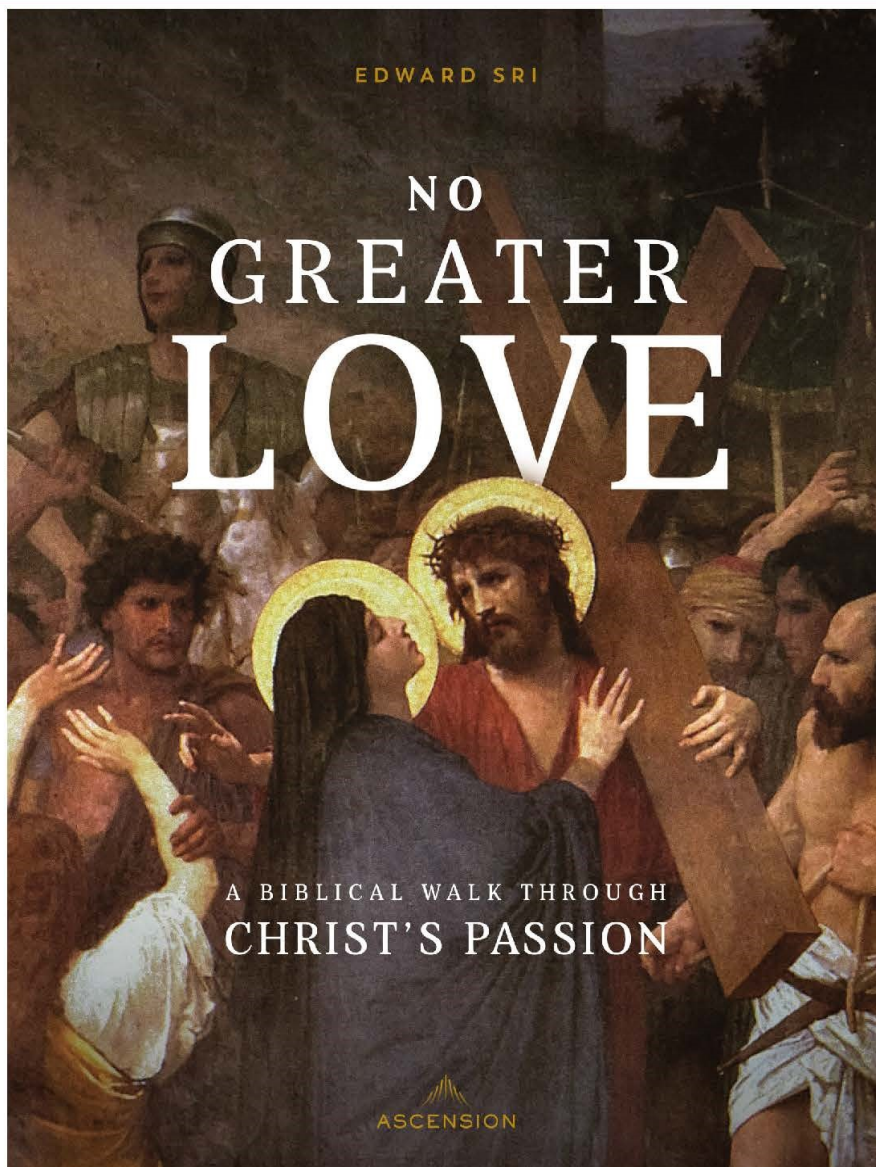


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Wednesdays **Catholic Café**

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Lenten meal to follow in the Parish Center

**Come & be fed
Spiritually &
Physically!**

**Saturday,
March 16,
2019**

**5:30
PM**

Join us for Mass, Dinner &
a Lenten Reflection

**"Climbing Up the Mountain"
by Fr. Andrew Wakefield**

**5:30pm Mass
Dinner &
Reflection
follow in the
Parish Center**

R.S.V.P. by 3/11/2019 to:
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