

March 3, 2019

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**MASS SCHEDULE**

Saturday: 9am, Vigil 5:30pm

*Miraculous Medal Novena*  
after the Saturday 9am Mass

Sunday: 7:30am, 9am, 10:30am,  
and 12:30pm

*Children's Liturgy of the Word*  
at the Sunday 9am Mass

Monday-Friday: 8am, 11am

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**

Wednesday: 11:30am-7pm

**RECONCILIATION**

Wednesdays: 11:30am-12:30pm

Saturday: 4:15pm-5:15pm

*Or call the rectory for an  
appointment*

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## EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**FIRST READING: SIRACH 27:4-7**

This reading explains that quality and truth in conversation is a test for humankind. Only after listening to a person's reasoning can we know the mind of another.

**SECOND READING: 1 CORINTHIANS 15:54-58**

Paul speaks of the mystery of transformation that is victory over death when our mortality puts on immortality. We are encouraged by Paul to be steadfast and immovable, filling our lives with the work of the Lord.

**GOSPEL: LUKE 6:39-45**

Today, Jesus teaches through the use of parables, first encouraging us to be like the teacher, understand that the blind cannot lead the blind. Jesus also reminds us that only the heart's good treasure produces good. In order to remain steadfast, we must heed what Jesus tells us. If we hear God's word, our foundation will be strong, unshaken, steadfast, built upon rock.

## PRAY WITH SCRIPTURE

**Monday** Sir 17:20-24; Mk 10:17-27

**Tuesday** Sir 35:1-12; Mk 10:28-31

**Wednesday** Jl 2:12-18; 2 Cor 5:20—6:2; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

**Thursday** Dt 30:15-20; Lk 9:22-25

**Friday** Is 58:1-9a; Mt 9:14-15

**Saturday** Is 58:9b-14; Lk 5:27-32

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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.

## 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](mailto:ArchdioceseCCW@gmail.com), and follow on Facebook at [Facebook.com/WashACCW](https://www.facebook.com/WashACCW).



## PASTOR'S CORNER

Dear Parishioners,

I thank all of you who have contributed to the Annual Appeal in the past and this year. If you still need time to think and pray about your gift and situation please know that the appeal will continue until December.

March 6 is Ash Wednesday, the beginning of Lent. Please refer to the bulletin for additional confession times, extra masses, talks, and opportunities to deepen your faith and enter into true conversion through Prayer, Fasting and Almsgiving.

Last Saturday we had a Town Hall meeting where we discussed parish finances, the Capital Campaign, a Safety Committee, and the situation of Theodore McCarrick. In summary I would report to you that we are barely meeting our income and expenditure budget figures. Our weekly offertory varies from \$4,000 to \$8,000. There was a significant drop in our Christmas collection from previous years. We have spent over \$10,000 on snow removal, so you can cease praying for more snow. We are in the second year of our Capital Campaign and have collected \$744,153.06 so far, of our 1.5 million parish goal. Our Parish and Finance Council have agreed to set the priority of building the elevator and renovating the bathrooms. We will send out information to update pledge collection. We will also inform and invite new parishioners regarding the goals of our campaign. Catholic Mutual Insurance Group has established safety procedures for parishes and school and asked us to develop a Safety Committee. If interested in serving on this committee, please contact me. Theodore McCarrick has been removed from the clerical state and can no longer present himself as a priest. He is still residing in the monastery in Kansas. There has not been information shared with us as to when or who we will receive as archbishop to lead our Archdiocese.

We will regularly hold these Town Hall meetings to report news of the parish as well as to receive your input and questions. Please do not hesitate to contact me at [mellone@annunciationdc.org](mailto:mellone@annunciationdc.org).

God's Peace,

Fr. Mike



## 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.



## 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!

## ANNUNCIATION YOUNG ADULT EVENTS

**SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES** with Annunciation Volunteers!

Contact **Tom Keenan, YA Service**

**Chair** if you have any questions:

[twkeenan6@gmail.com](mailto: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](http://www.annunciationdc.org)

## PEACE BE WITH YOU—BUT NO TOUCHING

No one is ever under an obligation to shake hands during the Sign of Peace (a statement of peace, bow or other gesture is appropriate) or to receive from the chalice. Christ is fully present in each species when the bread and wine have been consecrated into His Body and Blood.

Further, anyone who is ill, or suspects he or she is ill, should refrain from receiving from the chalice out of good will. Ministers, including sacristans, servers and Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist, also should practice good hand hygiene.





## SAINT OF THE WEEK



## FRANCES OF ROME

1384–1440

FEAST MARCH 9

This laywoman and foundress, born a Roman aristocrat, married Lorenzo Ponziano when she was 13; they had several children. In 1409, their palazzo was pillaged by Neapolitan soldiers and Lorenzo was exiled for five years, returning home a broken man. He died in 1436. Frances, known for her great charity during epidemics and civil war, organized a ladies society dedicated to self-denial and good works. It became the Oblates of Tor de Specchi, which she directed for her last four years. She is the patron saint of motorists, perhaps because she was guarded for 23 years by an archangel visible only to her. Her last words were: “The angel has finished his work. He is beckoning me to follow.”

CNS Saints

## MASS INTENTIONS

**Sunday, March 3** – *Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

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

**Monday, March 4** – *Saint Casimir*

8:00 a.m.	Mellone	Andrea Clune	In Memory
11:00 a.m.	Wakefield	John Meredith	In Memory

**Tuesday, March 5** – *Tuesday of the Eighth Week in Ordinary Time*

8:00 a.m.	Wakefield	Mireya Gutierrez	In Memory
11:00 a.m.	Mellone	Pat Frohman	In Memory

**Wednesday, March 6** – *Ash Wednesday*

8:00 a.m.	Mellone	Rosita Añez de Falla	In Memory
11:00 a.m.	Wakefield	Scott Piscarik	In Memory
7:00 p.m.	Mellone	Forgotten Souls in Purgatory	In Memory

**Thursday, March 7** – *Saints Perpetua and Felicity, Martyrs*

8:00 a.m.	Marchese	Al Kovalik	In Memory
11:00 a.m.	Mellone	Virginia Gutierrez	In Memory

**Friday, March 8** – *Saint John of God, Religious*

8:00 a.m.	Marchese	Anne Whalen	In Memory
11:00 a.m.	Wakefield	Anthony E. Chrysakis	In Memory

**Saturday, March 9** – *Saint Frances of Rome, Religious*

9:00 a.m.	Wakefield	Elizabeth Schubert	In Memory
5:30 p.m.	Mellone	Terry Rothman	In Memory

**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

**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](mailto: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 ...**

3/3	<b>Sunday</b>	CLOW — 9:00am (Parish Center) Faith Fun — 9:30am (Parish Center)
3/6	<b>Wednesday</b>	Ash Wednesday <i>Masses: 8:00am, 9:30am (School Mass), 11:00am, &amp; 7:00pm</i> No Eucharistic Adoration
3/7	<b>Thursday</b>	RCIA — 4:30pm (CR) Contemplative Prayer — 6:25pm (CR) Choir Rehearsal — 7:30pm (Church)
3/8	<b>Friday</b>	Stations of the Cross — 7:00pm (Church)
3/9	<b>Saturday</b>	Parish Day of Prayer & Service — 9:30am (Ch. & PC)

**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](mailto:lljsf@aol.com).

**PARISH DAY OF PRAYER AND SERVICE**

Join us on Saturday, March 9, 2019, from 10:00am—12:00pm for prayer (Divine Mercy Chaplet and the Angelus among others) and service projects (sandwiches and snack bags for Martha's Table). Come for 30 minutes or two hours! Contact Tina Lindberg for more information at [lindberg@annunciationdc.org](mailto:lindberg@annunciationdc.org) 202-362-3323 x 15.



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.

**SECOND COLLECTION**

March 10, 2019

Building Maintenance

**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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**RISTORANTE**

**Ash Wednesday**

March 6, 2019

Masses at 8am, 9:30am (*School*),

11am &amp; 7pm

*(No Eucharistic Adoration  
or Confessions)***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 &amp;

7:00pm – 8:00pm

**Parish Day of****Prayer & Service**

Saturday, March 9

9:30am

**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, 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grades are invited to participate! Students are not obligated to participate in all the events listed. Contact Sue Lohsen at [sue@lohse.com](mailto:sue@lohse.com) or Patrice Morace at [morace@annunciationdc.org](mailto: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](http://www.annunciationdc.org/catholics-in-action-_-cia.html) for dates and times.

**March Schedule**

Saturday, March 9th – Parish Day of Prayer &amp; Service

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! Bags will be available the weekend of March 2-3 and on Ash Wednesday, March 6.

\*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](mailto:lindberg@annunciationdc.org) or 202-362-3323 x15.



# < KID'S > KORNER

## Gospel Today

Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time | Luke 6:39-45

A good tree produces good fruit, just as a good person, whose heart is full of love, is good and kind to others.

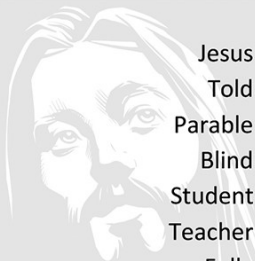
"Each tree is recognized by its own fruit."

Luke 6:44

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### BIBLE WORD SEARCH

Find all the words...  
left, right, up, down  
or diagonally.



- Jesus
- Told
- Parable
- Blind
- Student
- Teacher
- Fully
- Trained
- Speck
- Sawdust
- Attention
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- Speaks
- Luke

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## 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](http://www.usccb.org/confession).)

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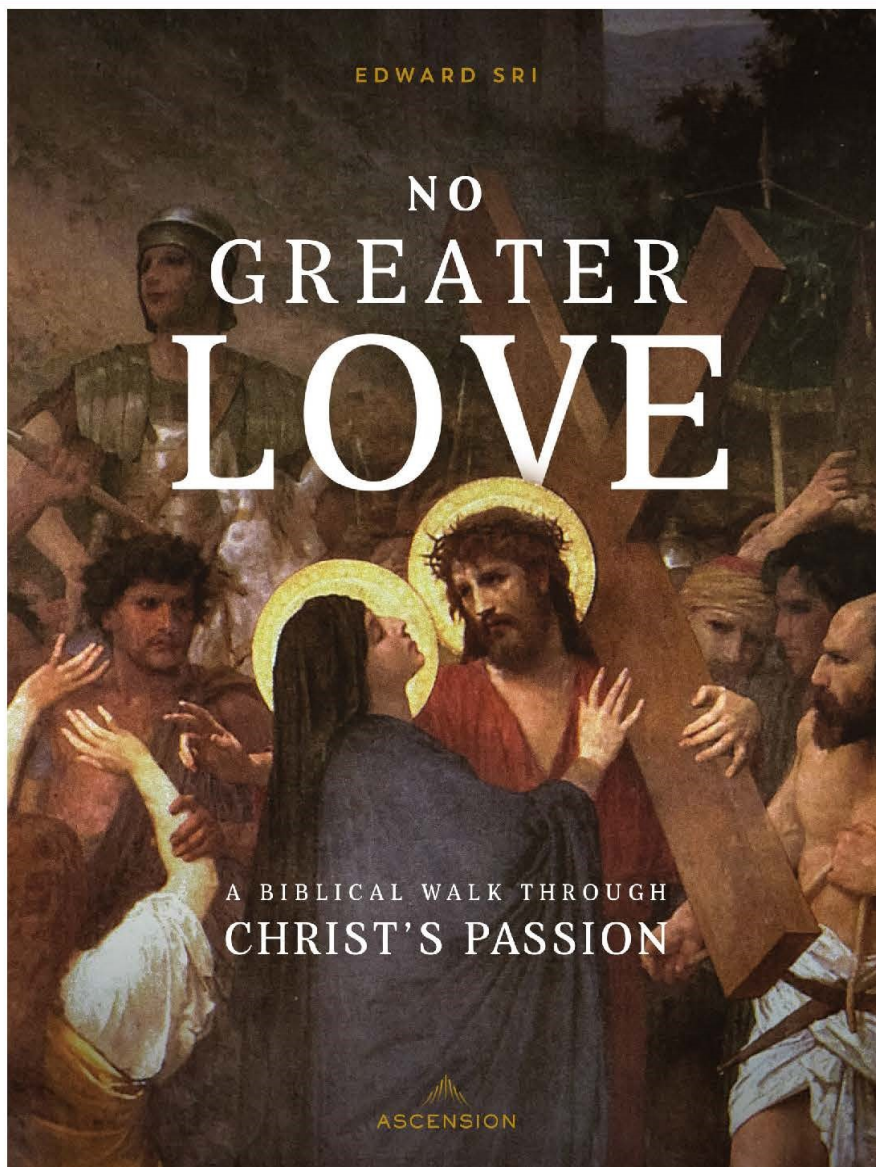
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## DID YOU KNOW?

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.



*This Lent come and experience dr. Edward Sri documentary on  
Christ's Passion*

Tuesdays **Lunch and learn**  
11.30 AM to 12.30 PM starting March 12, 2019  
or

Wednesdays **Catholic Café**  
7.00 PM to 8.00 PM starting March 13, 2019


At Parish Center

**ALL ARE WELCOME!**




**Come and experience**

**the**  
**LIVING**  
**STATIONS**  
**of the Cross**

Three golden nails are arranged horizontally, one above the other, separating the words 'STATIONS' and 'of the Cross'.

**The Passion of**  
**our Lord Jesus Christ**

A single golden nail is arranged horizontally, separating the title from the presenter information.

**presented by Annunciation Catholic**  
**Church Confirmation Class**

A single golden nail is arranged horizontally, separating the presenter information from the date.

**FRIDAY, March 15<sup>th</sup> 2019 at 7PM**

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**Lenten meal to follow in the Parish Center**