

March 31, 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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FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

FIRST READING: JOSHUA 5:9a, 10-12

Joshua and the Israelites celebrated Passover in Jericho. This was the first time they had eaten the produce of the promised land. After this, there was no more bread sent from heaven because they were able to eat the yield of the land.

SECOND READING: 2 CORINTHIANS 5:17-21

Paul tells us that anyone living in Jesus is a new creation because God has reconciled with us through Christ. As an ambassador for Jesus, Paul implores that the Corinthians be reconciled to God through Jesus.

GOSPEL: LUKE 15:1-3, 11-32

The Pharisees grew disgusted with Jesus because of his compassion toward sinners. So Jesus told them a story of a son who squandered his inheritance. When a famine broke out, he returned home and asked his father to become a hired hand. His father instead welcomed him with a joyful celebration, just as God is overjoyed when a sinner returns to him.

PRAY WITH SCRIPTURE

Monday Is 65:17-21; Jn 4:43-54

Tuesday Ez 47:1-9, 12; Jn 5:1-16

Wednesday Is 49:8-15; Jn 5:17-30

Thursday Ex 32:7-14; Jn 5:31-47

First Friday Wis 2:1a, 12-22; Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

First Saturday Jer 11:18-20; Jn 7:40-53

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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,

One would be hard pressed to find a more poignant story in the Bible than the parable of the Prodigal Son. Some have termed it the Prodigal Father for the word prodigal means not just wasteful or dissolute but also extravagant. It is filled with not only what is base in human nature but also expresses that which is divine. As the younger son centers his life on what money can get him the older son becomes angry and bitter. The father loves both his sons and tries to unite them through compassion and forgiveness. He is teaching his sons that nothing can separate them from his love and mercy. I have witnessed that sometimes we do not live this truth out in our daily lives. We receive the sacrament of Reconciliation, and the Lord offers us absolution but we go forth not forgiving ourselves. We hold onto our sins. This is not the way the Lord wishes us to act. His mercy is complete and He puts behind himself all our sins when we seek forgiveness. As we speak our words of sorrow and contrition the Lord wraps us in His grace, gives us the ability to stand up and face a new tomorrow and nourishes us with His Body and Blood in the Eucharist. Remember the **Light is On** for you; come and celebrate God's love for you.

Peace,

Fr. Mike



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 16, 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.



ST. JOHN'S COLLEGE HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL

All are invited to attend St. John's College High School Spring Musical, the Marvelous Wonderettes. On April 4th, the Dinner Theater begins at 6:30 with the show following at 8:00pm. On April 5th, the performance begins at 8:00pm. On April 6th, there are two performances at 2:00pm and 8:00pm. Tickets will be sold at the door. For more information contact Sue@Lohsen.com or visit www.stjohnschs.org

EASTER FLOWERS

Easter flowers can be offered in the memory of your loved ones. Envelopes are located in the back of the church. Please complete one and return it to the Parish Office, or place it in the collection basket with cash or check payable to Annunciation Church. The suggested donation is \$25.



2019 CHRISTMAS BAZAAR DONATIONS

Spring cleaning? 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 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

SAINT OF THE WEEK



ISIDORE OF SEVILLE

c. 565 - 636

FEAST APRIL 4

This bishop's extensive writings influenced church thinking for a millennium. As bishop of Seville, Spain, from about 600 until his death, he presided over two councils, promoted acceptance of the "filioque" clause of the Creed, and battled the Arian heresy. He wrote a history of the barbarian invasions of Spain and compiled in "The Etymologiae" all that was known in his time. Nearing death, he gave away everything he had, confessed his faults to his people in church, and received Communion. Pope John XXIII admired his ideas about the ideal bishop, notably that "Every bishop should be distinguished as much by his humility as by his authority." A doctor of the church, Isidore is the patron saint of computer users.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, March 31 – *Fourth Sunday of Lent*

7:30 a.m.	Wakefield	Parishioners	Intentions
9:00 a.m.	Mellone	Kirk Walsh	In Memory
10:30 a.m.	Antonicelli	Jose Coco Blanco & Carmen Palomeque Ocana	In Memory
12:30 p.m.	Mellone	Clementina Theresa Sclafani	In Memory

Monday, April 1 – *Monday of the Fourth Week in Lent*

8:00 a.m.	Mellone	Margarita Añez Ariza	In Memory
11:00 a.m.	Wakefield	Bianca Cornelini	In Memory
7:00 p.m.	Mellone	Forgotten Souls in Purgatory	In Memory

Tuesday, April 2 – *Saint Francis of Paola, Hermit*

8:00 a.m.	Mellone	Celeste Mallen	In Memory
11:00 a.m.	Wakefield	Ann Piscarik	Intentions

Wednesday, April 3 – *Wednesday of the Fourth Week in Lent*

8:00 a.m.	Wakefield	Anna Sutherland	In Memory
11:00 a.m.	Mellone	Andrea Clune	In Memory

Thursday, April 4 – *Saint Isidore, Bishop, Doctor of the Church*

8:00 a.m.	Marchese	Al Kovalik	In Memory
11:00 a.m.	Mellone	Pat Frohman	In Memory

Friday, April 5 – *Saint Vincent Ferrer, Priest*

8:00 a.m.	Marchese	Mireya Gutierrez	In Memory
11:00 a.m.	Wakefield	Terry Rothman	In Memory

Saturday, April 6 – *Saturday of the Fourth Week in Lent*

9:00 a.m.	Mellone	Rosita Añez deFalla	In Memory
5:30 p.m.	Wakefield	Ethel Gadanyi	In Memory

Sunday, April 7 – *Fifth Sunday of Lent*

7:30 a.m.	Mellone	Parishioners	Intentions
9:00 a.m.	Mellone	Anne Torgersen	In Memory
10:30 a.m.	Wakefield	Anna Sutherland	In Memory
12:30 p.m.	Antonicelli	Tom Rukavina	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. 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 ...

3/31	Sunday	CLOW — 9:00am (Parish Center) Faith Fun — 9:30am (Parish Center) Breaking Open the Word — 11:00am (Parish Center)
4/2	Tuesday	Adult Bible Study — 11:30am (Parish Center)
4/3	Wednesday	Eucharistic Adoration — 11:30am (Church) Adult Faith Formation — 7:00pm (Parish Center) Religious Education — 7:00pm (School & PC)
4/4	Thursday	Contemplative Prayer — 6:25pm (CR) Choir Rehearsal — 7:30pm (Church)
4/5	Friday	Stations of the Cross — 7:00pm (Church)
4/6	Saturday	HSA Bingo Night—6:30pm (Parish Center)

YOUNG AT HEART SPRING EVENTS

National Geographic Museum Tour, Thursday, April 25 at 10:30am

1145 17th Street NW

We will tour the Queens of Egypt Exhibit where you'll go back 3,500 years to the 18th & 19th dynasties of ancient Egypt to meet some of Egypt's mighty queens. Admission is \$10.00.



Tudor Place, Wednesday, May 8 at 11:00am

1644 31st Street NW

One of America's first National Historic Landmarks, it was originally the home of Martha Custis Peter, a granddaughter of Martha Washington. We'll tour the Federal-style mansion and gardens. Admission is \$8.00

If interested in either or both events, contact Eleanore Moretti at emm02@rcn.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.

JOIN THE CIA!

Students need Community Service Hours? All High School, 7th & 8th grades are invited to participate in the CIA! Students are not obligated to participate in all the events listed. Contact Sue Lohsen at sue@lohsen.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.

SEVEN CHURCH WALK

DCCatholic invites all young adults (20s and 30s) to the 16th Annual 7 Church Walk (#7ChurchWalk)! Join hundreds of young adults for our annual Lenten pilgrimage as we continue a Roman tradition in DC. We walk to seven historic downtown D.C. churches and pray together at each station.

April 13th, 2019 from 10 AM to 5 PM
Immaculate Conception Catholic Church
1315 8th St NW, Washington, DC 20001

Register: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/16th-annual-7-church-walk-for-young-adults-7churchwalk-tickets-57329489045>

SECOND COLLECTION

April 7, 2019

Annunciation Catholic School

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





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
until 8:00pm

Reconciliation: 11:30am to
12:30pm & 7:00pm to 8:00pm



Sunday, April 14th (Palm Sunday)

Vigil Mass: 5:30pm
Sunday Masses: 7:30am, 9:00am,
10:30am & 12:30pm

Thursday, April 18th

Morning Prayer — 9:00am
Mass of the Lord's Supper — 7:30am

Friday, April 19th

Morning Prayer — 9:00am
Stations of the Cross — 3:00pm
The Passion of the Lord — 7:30pm

Saturday, April 20th

Morning Prayer — 9:00am
Reconciliation: 11:00am — 12:30pm
Easter Vigil — 8:00pm

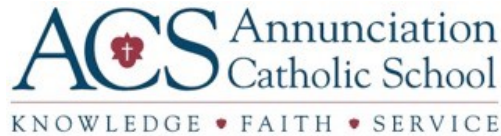
Sunday, April 21st (Easter Sunday)

Vigil Mass: 5:30pm
Sunday Masses: 7:30am, 9:00am,
10:30am & 12:30pm
Easter Egg Hunt:
After the 9:00am Mass

FORTY DAYS – FORTY ITEMS CHALLENGE

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.



ACS students enjoyed Read Across America week March 1-7. Our lower school hallway was transformed by our amazingly creative teachers into Dr. Seuss-ville, complete with a "Lorax" Corner a "Once-ler" house and many "things 1 and 2"! There were mystery readers on Thursday including some familiar faces! Children and adults agreed that, no matter your age, Dr. Seuss and his characters are timeless and unforgettable!



Save the Date!

ACS Bingo Night - Saturday April 6th from 6:30pm - 9pm Join us after the 5:30 Mass when our ACS HSA will be hosting Bingo Night. Admission is \$25 and includes 6 Bingo cards, food/snack and 1 ticket for beer or wine or soda. In addition to restaurant gift cards, store gift cards, amazon/visa gift cards and a cash prize each grade will produce a theme basket for raffle and/or auction during the event. We hope to see you there!

ACS Italian Dinner - Thursday April 11th 5pm - 8pm Our 8th Grade will be sponsoring an Italian Dinner to raise funds for their end of year trip. We encourage all families to come out and support our 8th graders. Dinner is \$10 for adults and children 3rd grade and above, \$5 for all children 2nd grade and below.

ACS Car Wash - On Saturday April 13th from 9am - 3pm ACS HSA will be hosting a car wash fundraiser. The car wash will take place on the Annunciation School blacktop and will include car washes for \$10 a car and \$15 for SUV's. We will have baked goods and grilled burgers, hot dogs, and Italian sausages for sale, along with cold beverages.

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Gospel Today Fourth Sunday of Lent | Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

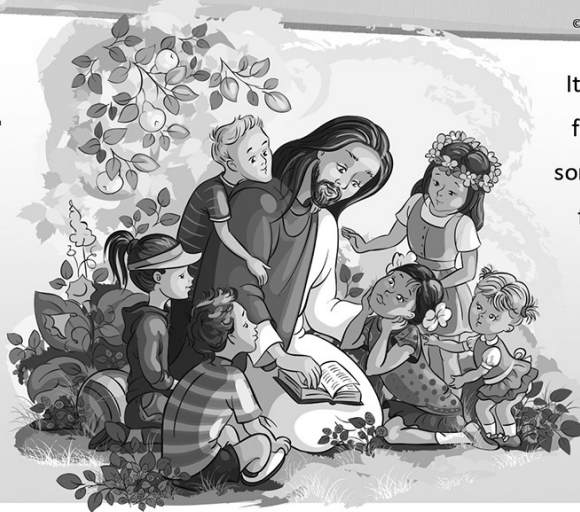
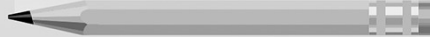
A man had two sons, and the younger took his share of inheritance and went to a distant country where he spent it all. Finding himself alone and hungry, he returned home to ask for forgiveness and become a servant to his family. The father welcomed him with love and rejoicing, the way God welcomes His people back from a sinful life when they truly want forgiveness.

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There will be more joy in heaven
over one sinner who repents than
over ninety-nine righteous people
who have no need of repentance.

LUKE 15:7

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



It took great faith
for the young
son to ask for
forgiveness. Let
us also believe in
the truth as we
**FOLLOW OUR
FAITH FOR
40 DAYS.**

- Man
- Two
- Sons
- Father
- Divided
- Property
- Younger
- Share
- Inheritance
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- Squandered
- Everything
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- Became
- Servant
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- Returned
- Home
- Asked
- Forgiveness
- Repentance
- Welcomed
- Open
- Arms
- Joy

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