

September 12, 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
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TWENTY FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FIRST READING: ISAIAH 50:5-9a

Isaiah describes the willingness of the Suffering Servant to submit to the persecution of his enemies. This willingness stems from true faith in God, and the knowledge that the Lord will always be his help.

SECOND READING: JAMES 2:14-18

James states that if someone is hungry and you wish them well but do not help them, you have done them no good. He compares this to stating your faith, without backing it up with your actions. He reminds us that we must show our faith through our good works.

GOSPEL: MARK 8:27-35

Jesus taught his disciples that as the Messiah, he had to suffer much, be put to death, and rise three days later. Peter began to disagree and Jesus reprimanded him for judging by human standards rather than by God's. He told them that whoever would be willing to lose their life for the sake of Jesus and the gospel, will in fact preserve their life forever.

PRAY WITH SCRIPTURE

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| Monday | 1 Tm 2:1-8; Lk 7:1-10 |
| Tuesday | Nm 21:4b-9; Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17 |
| Wednesday | 1 Tm 3:14-16; Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35 |
| Thursday | 1 Tm 4:12-16; Lk 7:36-50 |
| Friday | 1 Tm 6:2c-12; Lk 8:1-3 |
| Saturday | 1 Tm 6:13-16; Lk 8:4-15 |

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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,

I hope that you enjoyed the Labor Day weekend and had an opportunity to know the Lord's blessings and care for you. We have witnessed many challenges over the past several weeks: the ongoing wildfires, flooding, the violence in our cities, etc. The news often focuses on the bad, but every once in a while, there is good news and I would like to share with you some good news. For the first time in several years, we surpassed our parish goal in the Annual Appeal. The parish committed to the Appeal \$127,349.57; our goal was \$126,400.00. Thank you to all who have made this good news possible. Your gifts will help alleviate some of the struggles that many Catholics and non-Catholics have faced this past year and will support directly over 70 ministries and programs of the Archdiocese.



Further good news is that in response to Pope Francis' call to be stewards of God's creation, the parish will plant 16 trees on the property in conjunction with Casey Trees, the District of Columbia, and the Laudato Si initiative of the Archdiocese. This is scheduled to take place around October 4th, the Feast Day of St. Francis of Assisi. There is no cost to the parish for this project. There will be further information on this project and others in response to the care for all God's creation and our parish's response.

God's Peace,
Fr. Mike

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

*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 CYPRIAN OF
CARTHAGE

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Feast Day – **September 16**

One of the first great theologians in the church, this Latin father is remembered today for his writings, which are quoted in the documents of the Second Vatican Council. A late convert, Thascius Cecilianus Cyprianus was a lawyer, rhetorician and teacher before being chosen by the people and clergy of Carthage, in North Africa, as their bishop. He was drawn into papal controversies and schisms, but he also was known for pastoral zeal and aiding plague victims. Having survived one Roman persecution, he later was beheaded for refusing to participate in state religious ceremonies. He wrote biblical commentary and treatises on church unity and the sacraments. Cyprian is the patron saint of North Africa and Algeria.

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MASS INTENTIONS

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

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

Monday, September 13—*Saint John Chrysostom, Bishop, Doctor of the Church*

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| 8:00 a.m. | Macfarlane | Msgr. James F. Montgomery | In Memory |
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Tuesday, September 14—*The Exaltation of the Holy Cross*

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| 8:00 a.m. | Macfarlane | Leopoldo Balmaceda | In Memory |
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Wednesday, September 15—*Our Lady of Sorrows*

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| 8:00 a.m. | Sands | Philip John Jankowski | In Memory |
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Thursday, September 16—*Saints Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs*

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| 8:00 a.m. | Marchese | William & Marilyn Panke | In Memory |
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Friday, September 17—*Saint Robert Bellarmine, Bishop, Doctor of the Church*

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| 8:00 a.m. | Marchese | Philip Rousseau | In Memory |
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Saturday, September 18—*Saturday of the 24th Week in Ordinary Time*

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| 9:00 a.m. | Macfarlane | Alejandro Barrera | In Memory |
| 5:30 p.m. | SOSJ | Bernardo & Elvira Velasquez | In Memory |

Sunday, September 19—*Twenty Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

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| 8:00 a.m. | Sands | Creusa daSilva | In Memory |
| 10:00 a.m. | Macfarlane | Mayra Addison | In Memory |
| 12:00 p.m. | Macfarlane | 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.

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.



THIS WEEK ...

Thursday, September 16

Contemplative Prayer

6:20pm (Zoom)

First Communion Practice

7:00pm (Church)

Friday, September 17

Divine Mercy Chaplet

3:00pm (Church)

Saturday, September 18

Mass

9:00am (Church)

First Communion

10:30am (Church)

Confession

4:15pm – 5:15pm (Chapel)

Mass

5:30pm (Church)

CATHOLIC CHARITIES DONATIONS

Catholic Charities USA is responding to a critical number of disasters and crises in the United States; Hurricane Ida, Afghan refugee resettlement, and the end of the eviction moratorium. Your donation will provide swift assistance to those impacted by supporting agencies on the frontlines who are working tirelessly for those in need. Please consider giving to a cause to assist people most in need. <https://www.catholiccharitiesusa.org/2021-priorities/>

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Gospel Today

Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time | Mark 8:27-35

Jesus asks, "Who do people say I am?" Some responded John the Baptist, Elijah, a prophet, but Peter replied "You are The Messiah." Jesus asked they tell no one and gave the first prediction of His passion.

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Unscramble
all of Jesus'
many names

"WHO DO YOU SAY I AM?"

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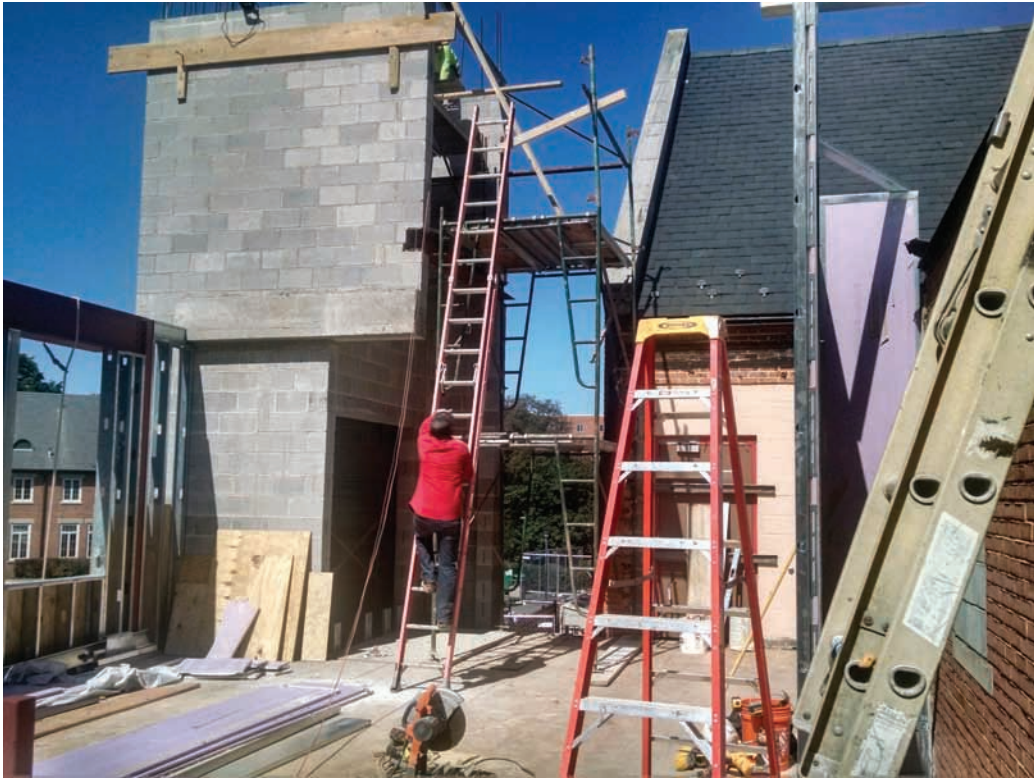
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