

October 31, 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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THIRTY FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FIRST READING: DEUTERONOMY 6:2-6

Moses commands the people to love and fear God, and always keep the commandments that they were given. He tells them to observe all statutes so that they will continue to grow and prosper, and tells them that they must love God with all their soul and strength.

SECOND READING: HEBREWS 7:23-28

Under the old covenant there were many priests, but Jesus will now remain high priest forever because he will live forever, and always be available to those who want to be saved. He does not need to offer sacrifice every day for the sins of his people, because he offered himself up in payment for their sins.

GOSPEL: MARK 12:28b-34

One of the scribes asked Jesus which commandment is the first, and he replied that the first is to love and honor the Lord and no one else. Jesus explained that they must love God with all their heart, and love their neighbor. The scribe agreed that loving God completely and loving one's neighbor is better than any sacrifice they could make.

PRAY WITH SCRIPTURE

Monday	Rv 7:2-4, 9-14; 1 Jn 3:1-3; Mt 5:1-12a
Tuesday	Any readings from no. 668 or from the Lectionary for Mass (vol. IV), the Masses for the Dead, nos. 1011-1016
Wednesday	Rom 13:8-10; Lk 14:25-33
Thursday	Rom 14:7-12; Lk 15:1-10
First Friday	Rom 15:14-21; Lk 16:1-8
First Saturday	Rom 16:3-9, 16, 22-27; Lk 16:9-15

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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,

My back surgery went well and I am recovering. I truly appreciate and am strengthened in faith through the gift of faith God has blessed each of you with. He truly answers all our prayers.

I look forward to being with you again when I am able.

God's Peace,
Fr. Mike



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 have begun.

Please feel free to contact Andreja Mezek at 202.362.3323 ext. 13 or mezek@annunciationdc.org for information.



In observance of All Souls Day, November 2, the Little Sisters of the Poor invite you to remember those who have gone before us and those who have made a difference in our lives.

If you would like the names of your loved ones added to the list of those remembered in prayer by the Little Sisters on November 2 and at Masses throughout the month, email devwashington@littlesistersofthepoor.org to send their names to Heather Cave.

They ask that you also consider making an offering, if you can, to help care for the aged poor men and women in their care.

To submit names, with a donation, email <https://littlesistersofthepoorwashingtondc.theyshareonline.org/ws/opportunities/ACommemorationoftheFeastofAllSoulsNovember2>.

The Little Sisters have it at heart to pray very much for those confided to their prayers.

Together they pray for all those who have passed from this world, and they await a joyful resurrection for all in God's kingdom.

*May the angels, our guardians, lead them to paradise
where your saints will welcome them."*

HOMEBOUND HOSPITALIZED PARISHIONERS

We depend on families, friends, and neighbors to notify the parish office if parishioners are hospitalized and/or homebound so we may provide the sacraments - especially Holy Communion.

If you know of anyone in need of the sacraments, please contact us. Also, if you'd like to volunteer to take Holy Communion to your fellow parishioners, please contact Tina Lindberg at 202-362-3323 x15 or lindberg@annunciationdc.org.



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 October will benefit the Gabriel Network to provide loving services to women and families challenged with a crisis pregnancy.

SAINT OF THE WEEK

ST. CHARLES
BORROMEO

1538-1584

Feast Day—November 4

Though Charles suffered all his life from a speech impediment, his intelligence and zeal made him an outstanding figure of the Catholic Reformation. In 1560, he was named a cardinal and administrator of the Archdiocese of Milan by his uncle, Pope Pius IV, but was kept in Rome to assist with the reconvened Council of Trent. He helped draft the council's catechism and liturgical books, and in 1563 was ordained a priest and bishop. Finally, in 1566, he was allowed to go to Milan, where he worked tirelessly to reform priestly training and lay catechesis. He also exhausted his own funds to provide relief during periods of famine and plague. He is the patron of seminarians and catechists.

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MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, October 31—Thirty First Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m.	Sands	Barbara Roy	In Memory
10:00 a.m.	Oberle	Parishioners	Intentions
12:00 p.m.	Russo	Vocations	Intentions

Monday, November 1—All Saints

8:00 a.m.	Marchese	Michael Sheehan	Intentions
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Tuesday, November 2—The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls)

8:00 a.m.	Marchese	All Souls	In Memory
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Wednesday, November 3—Saint Martin de Porres, Religious

8:00 a.m.	Sands	Philip Rousseau	In Memory
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Thursday, November 4—Saint Charles Borromeo, Bishop

8:00 a.m.	Marchese	Marilyn & William Panke	In Memory
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Friday, November 5—Friday of the Thirty First Week in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m.	Marchese	William Panke	In Memory
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Saturday, November 6—Saturday of the Thirty First Week in Ordinary Time

9:00 a.m.	Nunciature	All Souls	In Memory
5:30 p.m.	Oberle	All Souls	In Memory

Sunday, November 7—Thirty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m.	Ivan	All Souls	In Memory
10:00 a.m.	Macfarlane	Raphael Q. Vasquez	In Memory
12:00 p.m.	Sands	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



A MILLION ROSARIES

Every prayer counts! Please join the Little Sisters of the Poor in praying one million Rosaries to conquer the coronavirus pandemic. Sign up for the one million Rosary campaign at <http://littlesistersofthepoor.org>.





“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.



ALL SAINTS DAY

Monday, November 1, 2021 is All Saints Day. It is NOT a holy day of obligation this year. There will be one Mass on Monday, November 1, 2021 at 8:00am.

THIS WEEK ...

Sunday, October 31
CLOW 10:00am (PC)

Wednesday, November 3
Religious Education
7:00pm (School)

Thursday, November 4
Contemplative Prayer
6:20pm (Zoom)
Choir Rehearsal
7:30pm (Church)

Saturday, November 6
Mass 9:00am (Church)
Confession
4:15pm – 5:15pm (Chapel)
Mass 5:30pm (Church)



ANNUAL CHRISTMAS OPEN HOUSE

Please join Cardinal Wilton Gregory, Sister Mary Bader and the Board of Directors of St. Ann's Center for Children, Youth and Families to our Annual Christmas Open House:

Sunday, December 5, 2021

1:00pm - 3:00pm

St. Ann's Center

4901 Eastern Avenue

Hyattsville, MD 20782

<https://www.stanns.org>

Please contact Carolyn Boyle for more information: cboyle@stanns.org or 301-559-5500.

Juniors and Seniors in High School:

QUO VADIS?

“Come and See Retreat”
at Saint John Paul II Seminary

November 6–7, 2021



Thinking of college options after high school? Juniors and Seniors are invited to a discernment overnight retreat at Saint John Paul II Seminary in Washington, D.C. Experience seminary life firsthand. Pray and meet with seminarians, listen to inspiring talks, and enjoy sports.



Register at

<https://dcpriest.org/2021-come-and-see-retreat>.

For more information, please contact Fr. Mark Ivany,
Director of Priest Vocations, 202-636-9020
or vocations@adw.org.



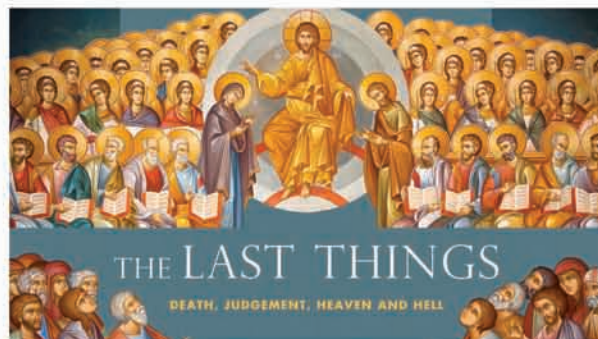
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PICK OF THE WEEK

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WATCH THE LAST THINGS

This film presents the reality of death and what will follow for every person: first the particular Judgment before God, then Heaven or Hell as our destination for all eternity. The Catholic teaching on Purgatory is also explained, giving examples from the Scriptures and philosophy.



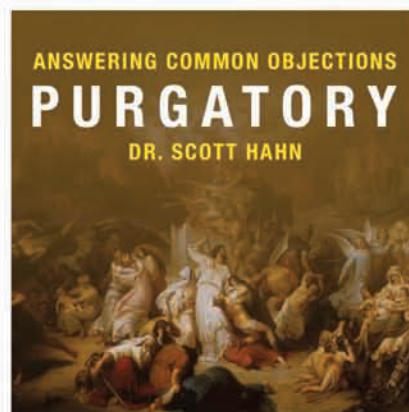
LEARN TRUE REFORMERS: EPISODE FOUR SAINT CHARLES BORROMEO: THE GOOD SHEPHERD



As the Cardinal-nephew of Pope Pius IV, Saint Charles Borromeo was one of the wealthiest and most powerful men in all of Rome. Yet he chose the extraordinary challenge of reforming the enormous Archdiocese of Milan to the pampered life of a Renaissance prince, and willingly spent himself in the service of his flock.

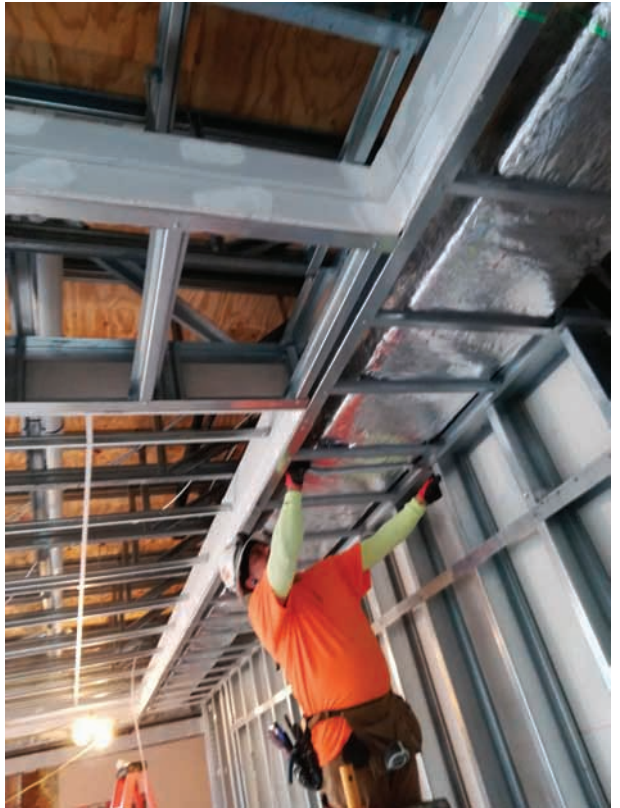
LISTEN PURGATORY BY DR. SCOTT HAHN

Covering the Biblical evidence for the authority of the Pope, the doctrine of Purgatory, devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary and the Saints, the Sacrament of Confession, the Real Presence in the Holy Eucharist, and more, the remarkable set is an essential resource for answering the various objections that Protestants makes to the Catholic Faith.

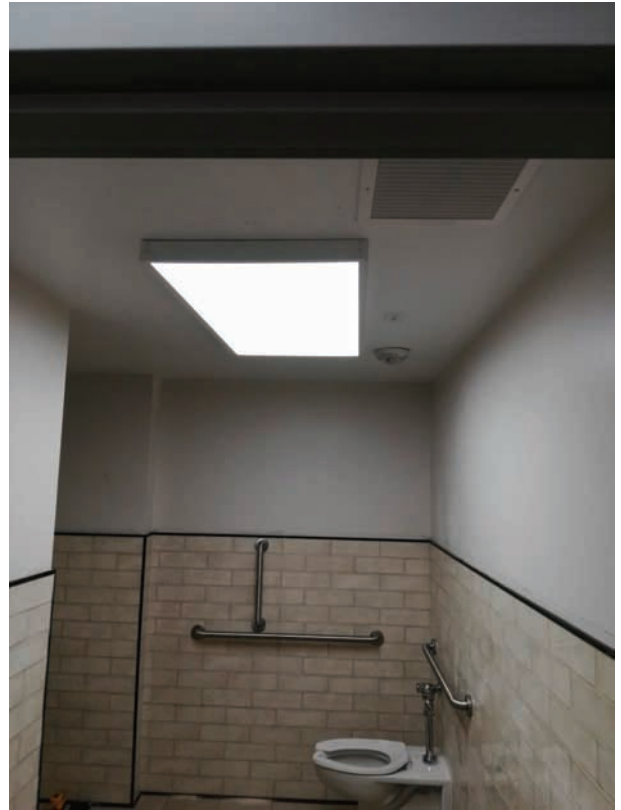


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