



Annunciation Catholic Church

Be it done to me according to your Word
+Luke 1:38+

July 16, 2023
Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Order of Worship

Worship 1151

Entrance Hymn – Worship 631

Responsorial Psalm

"The seed that falls on good ground will yield a fruitful harvest."

Offertory Hymn – Worship 595

Communion Hymn – Worship 857

Closing Hymn – Worship 792

Mass Schedule

Saturday.....(Vigil) 5:30pm

Sunday.....8am, 10am, 12pm

Monday – Friday.....8:00am

Wednesday.....5:30pm

Saturday.....9:00am

Confessions

Wednesdays.....6:00-6:45pm

Saturdays.....4:15-5:15pm

Devotions

Eucharistic Adoration

Every Wednesday 6-7pm

Rosary

After the 8am daily Mass

Miraculous Medal Novena

After the 9am Saturday Mass

Parish Announcements

Our second collection supports our building and maintenance fund.

The Summer Bazaar continues in the Parish Center on Sunday from 10am-2pm.

A funeral for George Omas will be on Saturday, July 29th at 11am.

We will not have coffee and donuts this weekend.

Welcome to Annunciation!

Our Mission

Through the power of the Holy Spirit, Annunciation Catholic Church exists to further God's reign in all its members and our local community.

Through worship, education and prayer, we come together to minister to all God's people in healing and reconciling love.

Our Parish

Hours

Monday-Friday
9am-4pm

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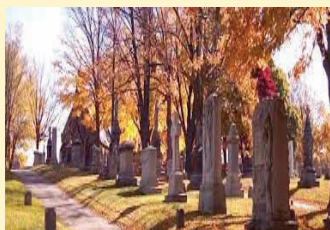
Sacramental Celebrations



Baptism joyfully celebrates the entrance of members into our Catholic Church. Baptisms are celebrated on Saturday mornings, following preparation of the parents. Baptisms for adults take place through the RCIA process. For more information contact Andreja Mezek.



Couples should contact the parish office as soon as they are able, at least six months in advance of the desired wedding date to make arrangements for marriage preparation. Any inquires should be sent to the parish office.



Our parish continues Christ's ministry of healing to those who suffer physical or emotional ills with the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. Please call the parish office if you would like to receive this sacrament.

Our parish also wants to assist with the passing of a loved one. In death life is changed, not ended, because of our faith in the Resurrection. Please contact the office so that our staff can help you with the funeral arrangements.

Liturgical Worship

"The liturgy is the summit toward which the activity of the Church is directed; at the same time it is the font from which all her power flows." (Sacrosanctum Concilium)

Active participation in our worship of God fosters growth in faith, hope and charity for all the faithful, but particular ministries help in that participation. If you would like to be a lector (a reader of Sacred Scripture), an acolyte (a minister who assists the priest at the altar), or an extraordinary minister of Holy Communion (a minister who helps distribute the Eucharist), please contact Tina Lindberg.

"Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, singing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs with gratitude in your hearts to God" (Col 3:16). If you would like to be a part of our music ministry, please contact Frank Conlon: frankconlon@comcast.net

Pastor's Corner



Dear Parishioners and Friends,

I would like to share with you news on the Third World Day for Grandparents, which is July 23. Please pray and visit your grandparents and the elderly on this day. It can be in person or virtually. It is a great opportunity to express your love for them and a blessing for yourself. Let us also say a prayer for Cardinal Farrell who was a previous pastor of our parish for seeking permission from Pope Francis to establish the Plenary Indulgence.

God's peace,
Fr. Mike

By Devin Watkins

In a move to foster devotion among the faithful, the Apostolic Penitentiary has granted a request from Cardinal Kevin Joseph Farrell, Prefect of the Dicastery for the Laity, Family, and Life.

The Cardinal requested that a Plenary Indulgence be granted to Catholics taking part in the upcoming Third World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly, which was instituted by Pope Francis.

The World Day will be celebrated on 23 July 2023 under the theme "His mercy is from age to age" (Lk 1:50).

Conditions for plenary indulgence: In a decree issued by the Apostolic Penitentiary and approved by Pope Francis, the plenary indulgence will be granted to grandparents, the elderly, and all faithful who participate in the solemn celebration presided over by the Pope in St. Peter's Basilica, as well as to all those who attend Mass in various parts of the world.

The indulgence is subject to the usual conditions of sacramental Confession, reception of the Eucharist, and prayer for the intentions of the Holy Father. (cont.)

Mass Intentions	What's Happening This Week?
Sunday, July 16 8am Parishioners Park 10am †Antonio Lim Mellone 12pm †Rudolfo & Lujan Baca Mellone	Sunday, July 16 CLOW, 10:00am (Atrium) Summer Bazaar, 10:00am-2:00pm (PC)
Monday, July 17 8am †Benjie Byers Mellone	Wednesday, July 19 Mass, 5:30pm (Church) Eucharistic Adoration & Confession, 6:00pm (Church)
Tuesday, July 18 8am †Benjie Byers Park	Thursday, July 20 Contemplative Prayer, 6:20pm (Zoom)
Wednesday, July 19 8am †Maria Ferriday Mellone 5:30pm †Souls in Purgatory Park	Saturday, July 22 Baptism, 10:30am (Church) Confessions, 4:15pm (Church)
Thursday, July 20 8am †Benjie Byers Mellone	
Friday, July 21 8am †Benjie Byers Park	
Saturday, July 22 9am †Benjie Byers Park 5:30pm †George Omas Mellone	

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Becoming Catholic

If you are interested in becoming a Catholic, join RCIA.

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is a gradual process of spiritual formation that includes prayer, sharing, and study and occurs in the context of the parish community. It is intended for adults who:

- are not baptized and would like to be fully initiated and welcomed into the Catholic Church through the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist
- were baptized in another Christian community/tradition and seek to be received into the full communion of the Catholic Church through the sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist
- were baptized as Catholics as infants/children but have not received the sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist

RCIA Meetings take place on Mondays from 7-8:30pm.

Children's CCD

The Children's Faith Formation program exists to communicate the Good News of Jesus Christ in the context of the beliefs and practices of the Roman Catholic Church. It provides sacramental preparation for First Reconciliation, First Eucharist, and Confirmation as well as ongoing faith formation for children in First through Eighth Grades.

For any questions please contact Andreja Mezek at mezek@annunciationdc.org.

SOCIAL CONCERNS OUTREACH

Homeless Ministry

Food donations are accepted throughout the year. Please place any donations in the bin in the church hallway.

Homebound or Hospitalized Parishioners

Please notify us if parishioners are hospitalized or homebound so we may provide the sacraments - especially Holy Communion. Also, if you would like to volunteer to take Holy Communion to your fellow parishioners, please contact Tina Lindberg at lindberg@annunciationdc.org.

Parish Bazaar

We are no longer accepting donations for our Summer Bazaar.

For more information on these programs, contact Tina Lindberg at lindberg@annunciationdc.org.

FAITHFUL STEWARDSHIP

God loves a cheerful giver! (2 Cor 9:7)



POOR BOX

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PARISH LIFE



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Meetings take place on Tuesdays from 7-8:30pm and Wednesdays from 9-10:30am in the Atrium. Contact Sue Lohsen at sue@lohse.com for more info.

ANNUNCIATION

MEN'S GROUP

faith + fraternity + fiat

Through faith formation and fraternal discussions, the men of the parish strive to imitate Mary and Joseph's Fiat to God—Be it done to me according to Your Word!

Tuesdays from 7-8:15pm in the Parish Center
Contact Daniel Danello for more info:
dfdanello@gmail.com



Pray the Rosary for Peace in Ukraine

Every Thursday at 12pm—Rain or Shine in front of the Russian Embassy
2650 Wisconsin Ave NW



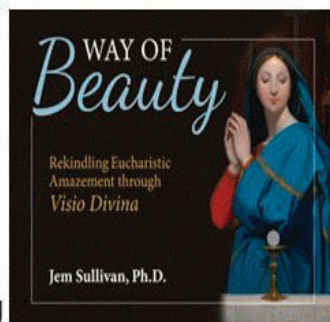
With Endow, women encounter their identity as daughters of God helping them to grow in their faith. Meetings take place every Wednesday 7:15-8:30pm in the Atrium.

BOOK CLUB

Book of the Month

We will meet on Sunday, **August 27th at 11am** in the Parish Atrium.

For more info contact Tina Lindberg at lindberg@annunciationdc.org



Annunciation Contemplative Prayer Thursday Evenings @ 6:25pm

We begin with Lection Divina, a traditional way of cultivating a relationship with Christ, then move into 30 minutes of silent Contemplative Prayer. This method of prayer is both a relationship with God and a discipline to deepen that relationship.

Contact Martha Johnston for Zoom Coordinates and any questions you may have—
martha@marthajohnston.com.



Coffee Hour is Back!



Thanks to volunteers, there are now donuts and coffee after the 8am and 10am Masses every week, but after the 12pm Mass only on the second Sunday of the month. With more volunteers, we can have donuts and coffee after that Mass, too. If you would like to volunteer to help with setup, cleanup, or to tend the coffee and donuts between Masses, please contact Anita Siegfriedt at asiegfriedt@gmail.com.

**“Go, therefore,
and make disciples
of all nations.”**

— Mt 28:19



Annunciation



75th Anniversary

2023 - 2024



Rejoice, So Highly Favored!

Upcoming dates and events for our upcoming 75th anniversary celebrations.

Saturday, October 7th

6:30pm 75th Annunciation Parish Anniversary Dinner Gala

If you're interested in volunteering or would like to be involved in planning our 75th anniversary celebrations, please email us at 75anniversary@annunciationdc.org.

Pastor's Corner (Cont.)

A plenary indulgence offers remission of the temporal punishment due to sins already forgiven, which can be applied to oneself or to the souls in Purgatory.

The Apostolic Penitentiary extends the same Plenary Indulgence to those who dedicate significant time to visit—either in-person or by virtual means of communication—their elderly brothers and sisters who are in need or facing difficulties, such as the sick, abandoned, and those with disabilities.

For people who are unable to leave their homes due to serious reasons, spiritual participation in Mass celebrated for the World Day through prayer, offering their sufferings, and joining in the broadcasts of the Pope's various celebrations will also grant them the opportunity to obtain a plenary indulgence.

However, the indulgence requires that the faithful maintain detachment from sin and intend to fulfill the three usual conditions as soon as possible.

Source of wisdom and experience: In the decree, the Apostolic Penitentiary urges priests authorized to hear confessions to make themselves available with a generous spirit for the celebration of the Sacrament of Penance.

The decree grants the indulgence only for the Third World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly.

The Apostolic Penitentiary's announcement offers the faithful an opportunity to deepen their spiritual lives, express charity towards the elderly, and seek God's mercy in a special way.

The Third World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly serves as a reminder of the invaluable wisdom, experience, and love that older generations offer to society and the Church.

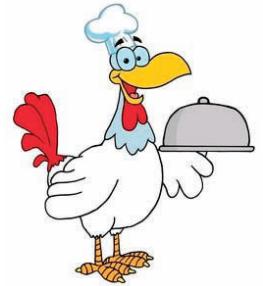
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Are you in need of prayer? Is someone you know lonely or overwhelmed? Call the Seton Shrine Prayer Line toll free at 1-866-202-4934! Staff will be ready to take your call Mon-Fri 10am – 5pm and pray with you.



148TH ANNUAL BARBECUE CHICKEN DINNER AND FAIR

St. Mary's in Barnesville cordially invites all to join in their 148th Annual Chicken Dinner and Jousting Tournament on Saturday, July 29th from Noon to 6 pm, or until sold out. Meals are \$20, available as carry-outs or for outdoor dining. Good food is the focal point of the picnic. There is a Jousting Tournament from 1 - 4 pm, which is free to spectators. There will also be a snack bar, baked goods, cake-wheel, crafts, country store, white elephant stand, live music of "Sookey Jump". Mass will be offered in our shrine church at 4pm. St. Mary's Church is located at 18230 Barnesville Road. For more information call 301-972-8660. Please come and enjoy an afternoon in the country.



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Catholic Charities Legal Network counsels and provides legal representation to low-income and poor residents throughout the Archdiocese of Washington, D.C. and relies heavily on volunteer lawyers to fulfill its mission. If you are a lawyer in active status who wants to make a real difference in the lives of families and individuals struggling in our community, please reach out to Dan Collopy at (301) 615-0949 or daniel.collopy@cc-dc.org to discuss how you can help. The Legal Network handles most civil practice areas and criminal expungements.

RETREAT FOR GRIEVING PARENTS

The Office of Family Life with St. John Neumann will be offering a Retreat for Grieving Parents on Saturday, September 16 from 9:30am – 7:00pm. If you are grieving the loss of a child, no matter how old the child is or how long ago the child passed, we invite you to attend this retreat. We will focus on the spirituality of the grieving process to help you as you grieve the loss of your child.

This one-day retreat, offered by the Archdiocese of Washington Office of Family Life and the Emmaus Ministry, will give you the opportunity to be with others who have also lost a child. It will take place from 9:30am - 7:00pm at St. John Neumann Parish, 9000 Warfield Rd, Gaithersburg, MD 20882.

Saturday will be a very special time for you to focus on your specific spiritual journey in grieving the loss of your child's earthly presence. While we have a general schedule of events for the program, please know that you will not be required to attend any of the activities, and you will not be forced to share any information you are not comfortable sharing. Many people participate by listening.

Click [here](#) for the link for registration. For more information, contact the Office of Family Life at flm@adw.org or 301-853-4546.

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Gospel Today | 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time | Mt 13:1-23

Jesus uses parables or comparison stories to preach to the people the Kingdom of Heaven.



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Read the sentence then use the bold letters to fill in the blanks below.



When the Word of God is **p**lanted in our hearts, we are nourished and strengthened **b**y His love, similar to **s**eeds planted in rich soil.



A _____ is a story that is told using comparisons.

Look around at all the beautiful summer flowers. We see them in gardens, hanging planters, in pots on front steps, growing wild along highways and fields. All these flowers need good rich soil to grow in. Our faith in God can grow in our hearts, as beautiful as the flowers around us! We just need to ask Jesus to come and take root, and allow His love to blossom within us and spread that love to others.

Color these flowers and add your own...



THIS WEEK ON **FORMED**

Week of July 16, 2023



Easter in Art: Mary Magdalene (Part 3 of 3)

Learn about the "apostle to the apostles" in this discussion with Dr. Ben Akers and Taylor Kemp. They take a look at a famous painting of Jesus's encounter with Mary Magdalene following the Resurrection.



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This captivating series explores Catholic themes of redemption, grace, and forgiveness through compelling storytelling and thought-provoking narratives. It offers a profound understanding of the transformative power of forgiveness and its significance in personal growth and spiritual renewal.



Saint Mary Magdalene

Join Dr. Ben Akers and Taylor Kemp for a discussion on the life and witness of St. Mary Magdalene. Who was she, and why is she a saint? Find out in this conversation.

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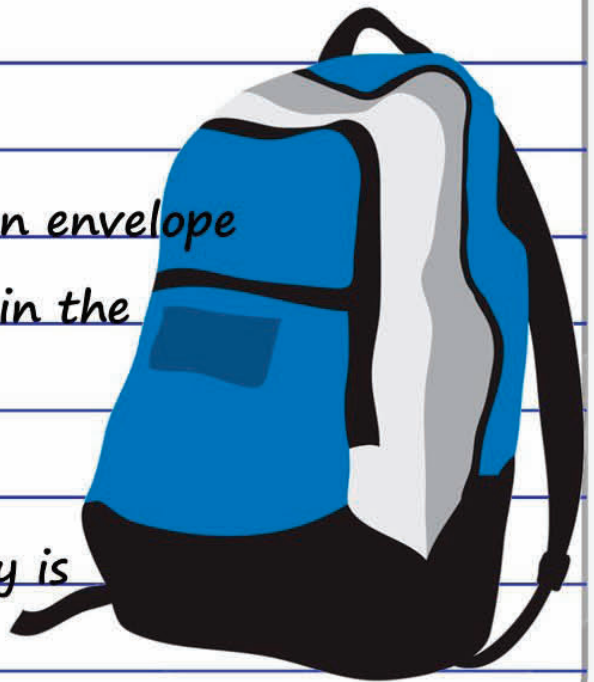
Donation Deadline:

Sunday, July 23, 2022

Donate on our website:

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