



# Annunciation Catholic Church

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

**October 22, 2023**  
**Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

## 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

Worship 1193  
Entrance Hymn – Worship 617  
Responsorial Psalm  
*"Give the Lord glory, glory and honor."*  
Offertory Hymn – Worship 856  
Communion Hymn – Worship 684  
Closing Hymn – Worship 688

## Parish Announcements

Our second collection this weekend supports World Missions.

**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

Rev. Msgr. James D. Watkins  
*Administrator*

Rev. Adam Park  
*In Residence*

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*Permanent Deacon*

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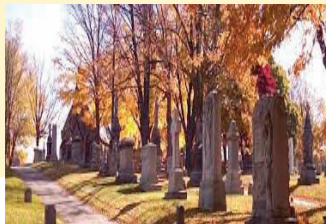
## Sacramental Celebrations



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 inquiries 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

# WORLD MISSION SUNDAY COLLECTION

By Baptism, all Catholics are called to participate in the mission of the Church, called to share their faith as missionaries. World Mission Sunday gathers support for the pastoral and evangelizing programs and needs of more than 1,150 mission dioceses in Africa, Asia, the Pacific Islands, and remote regions of Latin America. The funds gathered on World Mission Sunday are distributed in the pope's name by the Society for the Propagation of the Faith—a Pontifical Mission Society.

## BLESSED SACRAMENT BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

The Shrine of the Most Blessed Sacrament at 3630 Quesada Street, NW Washington, DC, 20015-2538, will offer an eight-week bereavement support group series for adults who have experienced the death of a parent, spouse, child, sibling or significant other. The next series will begin **Tuesday October 24, 2023** and continue for eight consecutive Tuesdays through December 12, 2023 from 7:00-8:30 PM. The meetings are virtual. For more information contact Jim Hoffman at [hoffmanlpc@gmail.com](mailto:hoffmanlpc@gmail.com) or call cell: (202) 577 – 2213.

## PRAYER LINE | SETON SHRINE

Are you in need of prayer? Are you lonely or overwhelmed? The National Shrine of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton has a prayer line available with staff who will speak with and pray with you. Your prayer intentions can be placed on the tomb of Mother Seton. Call us toll free at 1-866-202-4934, Monday - Friday, 10am - 5 pm. We are here for you.



### Mass Intentions

#### Sunday, October 22

8am	Parishioners	Afu
10am	†William & Jeanne Cassidy	DF
12pm	†Van Robertson	Park

#### Monday, October 23

8am	†Patricia Norton	DF
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#### Tuesday, October 24

8am	Special Intention	Park
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#### Wednesday, October 25

8am	†Deacon Richard Walker	DF
5:30pm	†Maria Jose Escartin	Afu

#### Thursday, October 26

8am	†Souls in Purgatory	Afu
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#### Friday, October 27

8am	Edfa & Kim Bagalacsa	Park
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#### Saturday, October 28

9am	†Lou Rabil	Park
5:30pm	†Timothy Collins	DF

### What's Happening This Week?

#### Sunday, October 22

CLOW, 10:00am (Atrium)

#### Monday, October 23

O CIA, 7:00pm, (CR)

#### Tuesday, October 24

Men's Group, 7:00pm (Atrium)  
Walking with Purpose, 7:00pm (PC)

#### Wednesday, October 25

Walking with Purpose, 9:00am (PC)  
Mass, 5:30pm (Church)  
Eucharistic Adoration & Confession, 6:00pm (Church)  
Religious Education, 7:00pm (School)

#### Thursday, October 26

Contemplative Prayer, 6:25pm (Zoom)  
Choir Rehearsal, 7:30pm (Church)

#### Saturday, October 28

Confessions, 4:15pm (Church)

# 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](mailto: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](mailto:lindberg@annunciationdc.org).

## Parish Bazaar

We are now accepting donations for our Christmas Bazaar.

For more information on these programs, contact Tina Lindberg at [lindberg@annunciationdc.org](mailto:lindberg@annunciationdc.org).

# FAITHFUL STEWARDSHIP

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



## POOR BOX

Donations for the month of October will benefit the Gabriel Network to provide services to women and families challenged with crisis pregnancies.

Donate with Venmo



or sign-up with Faith Direct



## PARISH LIFE

**"Go, therefore,  
and make disciples  
of all nations."**

### BOOK CLUB

Book of the Month

We will meet on Sunday,  
**October 29th at 11am** in the  
Parish Atrium.

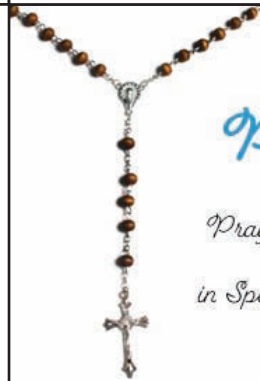
For more info contact  
Tina Lindberg at  
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Meetings take place on Tuesdays from 7-8:30pm and  
Wednesdays from 9-10:30am in the Parish Center.  
Contact Sue Lohsen at [sue@lohse.com](mailto:sue@lohse.com) for more info.



*Pray the Rosary*

*Pray in English Monday through Friday  
after the 8am Mass,  
in Spanish after the 10am Mass on Sunday  
Meet in the church*



**Pray the  
Rosary for Peace  
in Ukraine**

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

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 Atrium  
Contact Daniel Danello for more info:  
[dfdanello@gmail.com](mailto:dfdanello@gmail.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](mailto:asiegfriedt@gmail.com).

### Annunciation Contemplative Prayer Thursday Evenings @ 6:25pm

We begin with Lektion 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](mailto:martha@marthajohnston.com).

## ROTH CONCERT

On Sunday, November 5th, at 5:00pm, Mosaic Harmony will present a concert of inspirational choral music based on the Gospel tradition featuring soloists Alia Waheed and Brian Quenton Thorne in our sanctuary. There is no admission charge, but free-will offerings will be received at the door, and a reception will follow in our parish center. For further information, please call 202-441-7678.

## ALL SAINTS DAY — HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

Wednesday, November 1st is All Saints Day. The Apostles' Creed lists "the communion of saints" among Catholic beliefs, and since at least the ninth century the church has honored everyone in heaven, including angels, formally recognized martyrs and saints, and all those who had died in God's friendship, with a November feast. As early as 411, the Eastern church celebrated a feast of all martyrs in May. **Masses will be held at 8:00am, 10:30am (School Mass) and 7:00pm.**



## ALL SOULS DAY

November 2nd is All Souls Day which commemorates the faithful departed. As Catholics we are called to pray for those who have gone before us that they may attain the beatific vision of God in heaven. They may be helped by our prayers and by the sacrifice of the Mass.

At Annunciation, the prayer for Souls carries on throughout the month of November. If you wish to include someone, please complete an envelope as pictured which will be placed by the Tabernacle. A Book of Names of the Dead will also be placed near the Sanctuary. Envelopes may be found in the back of Church next week.



## We're collecting treasures for the December Christmas Bazaar!

**Donate: Jewelry, antique treasures, home and kitchen goods, handbags and scarves, toys and sporting goods**

**Please—no DVDs, CDs, clothing or books!**



**Contact Tina Lindberg at [lindberg@annunciationdc.org](mailto:lindberg@annunciationdc.org) or 202-362-3323 x15 to schedule a drop-off**

# LIFE APPS

Get on the Fast Track to Healthier Relationships!



**How to Fix a Broken Relationship**  
How to Forgive and Be Forgiven

**Oct 31, 2023**

HACKS, LESSONS, AND PRACTICAL INSIGHTS TO HELP YOU NAVIGATE COMMON LIFE CHALLENGES



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Get on the Fast Track to Healthier Relationships! Learn about some of the top issues that come up during most counseling sessions and benefit from solutions based on wisdom gleaned from psychology, philosophy, and theology. Presented by Dr. Kathleen Musslewhite, Executive Director of the Alpha Omega Clinic, this series of talks will run on Tuesday afternoons; remaining sessions are Oct 31, Jan 9 and Feb 27, and each session duration: 12:30-2:00pm. The cost for each session is \$60 per person. Come to all or some. This program is a part of the ongoing collaboration between Our Lady of Bethesda Retreat Center and the Alpha Omega Clinic, both located at 7007 Bradley Blvd., Bethesda, MD 20817. Find more information and links to register on our website: [www.ourladyofbethesda.org](http://www.ourladyofbethesda.org)

# THIS WEEK ON **FORMED**

Week of October 22, 2023



## Pope John Paul II

Starring Jon Voight and Cary Elwes, this epic film follows Karol Wojtyla's journey from his youth in Poland through his late days on the Chair of St. Peter.



## Slaves and Kings: The Story of St. Anthony Mary Claret (English Audio)

Following the life of St. Anthony Mary Claret—Archbishop, writer, publisher, social reformer, and confessor to the Queen of Spain—this film tells the compelling story of one of Spain's most popular preachers and founder of the Missionary Sons of the Immaculate Heart of Mary.



## Liberating a Continent: John Paul II and the Fall of Communism

This powerful documentary captures how spiritual power can triumph over violence and oppression. Get a new glimpse of history through this film as you learn about John Paul II's intricate role in the collapse of communism.

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# < KID'S > KORNER

## Gospel Today 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time | Matthew 22:15-21

The Pharisees had a plan to entrap Jesus in speech. They said, "Teacher, we know you will tell the truth. Is it lawful to pay the census tax to Caesar or not?"

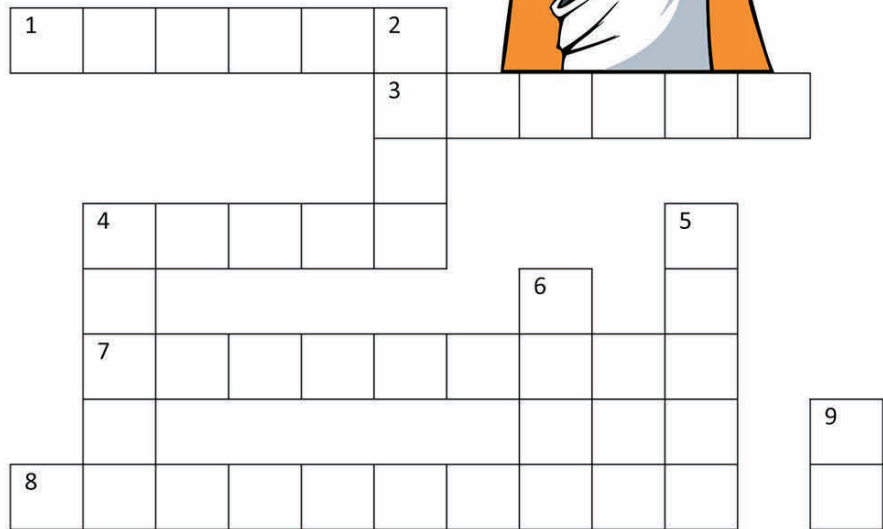
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Jesus said, "Why are you testing me, you hypocrites? Show me the coin that pays the census tax." They handed Him a Roman coin, with an image and inscription of Caesar. Jesus replied, "Then repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God."



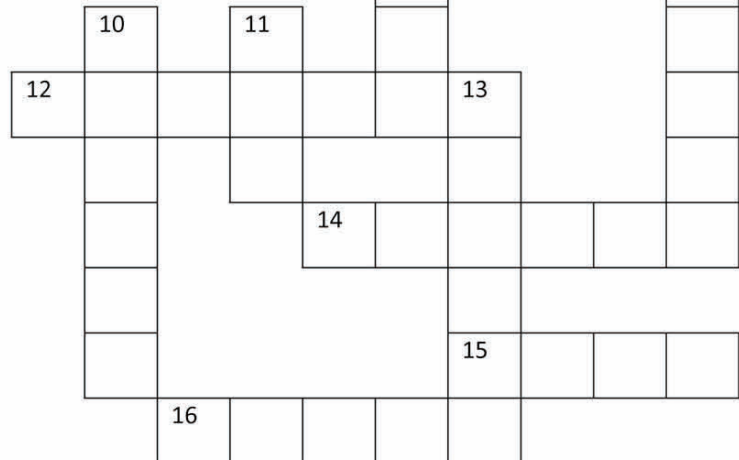
### ACROSS

- 1 To catch in; as if in a trap
- 3 Allowed by law
- 4 \_\_\_ Catholic Church
- 7 Ancient Jews who strictly observed Mosaic law
- 8 Person pretending to be what they are not
- 12 To be owned by someone
- 14 Title of Roman emperors after Augustus
- 15 Round, flat, metal money
- 16 Real fact, honest



### DOWN

- 2 A detailed scheme (to achieve an objective)
- 4 To pay back
- 5 \_\_\_ Christ
- 6 Evaluate
- 9 Person who teaches
- 10 Periodic population count
- 11 Supreme Being, Creator of universe (Our Father)
- 13 Act of speaking; public address



# ANNUNCIATION BOOK CLUB



The October book is *Slaying Dragons II—The Rise of the Occult and What Exorcists & Former Occultists Want You to Know* by Charles D. Fraune

For even the casual observer, it is evident that the world, nearly as a whole, is unmoored from obedience to Almighty God. The number of sins, many of which "cry to Heaven for vengeance," which saturate the culture and the personal lives of the common man are legion, both in their breadth and in their diabolical quality. This spiritual depravity has invited, into the light of day, the Enemy who has always been working in darkness.

*The Rise of the Occult presents to the reader an analysis of this emergence of the Enemy, in which Satan has found it to be the time to stir men back to idolatry, superstition, and ritualized hedonism. Witchcraft, Wicca, magic, Satanism, the New Age, astrology, Yoga, manifesting, and all of its countless variations are captivating the minds of modern men for whom the One True God has either been hidden or has been dismissed in favor of the annihilation of morality. It is this moral autonomy, in which man is "free" to "do as thou wilt," which is the calling card of all forms of occult practice.*

Many questions will be answered as the reader hears from former occultists, priests (exorcists and pastors) who have helped them, families who have lost children or parents to the occult, and those who have seen the evil spread of the occult amidst their daily activities.

**ALL ARE  
WELCOME!**

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29TH @11AM  
IN THE PARISH ATRIUM**

**BOOKS ARE AVAILABLE ON AMAZON**

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Join us for an inspiring and enlightening presentation on the situation in Lebanon, where the Maronite Catholic Church is key to the future of Lebanon, which quite possibly holds the key to the future of the Middle East.

Knights of Columbus Council 224 presents:

## "The Struggle to Free Lebanon Continues"



**Dr. Rami Chidiac**

Knights of Columbus, Beirut-Lebanon



Tuesday, November 7th, 2023, 7:30 PM. Reception following.

Knights of Columbus Hall,

5034 Wisconsin Avenue, NW, Ste 200.

(Wheelchair accessible -- entry ramp from rear parking lot; elevator access to 2nd floor)

Washington DC, 20016

Born in Beirut in 1966, Dr. Rami Chidiac holds multiple academic degrees in Business, Law, and Politics & Strategy. He owns Quality Consultancy & Training Firm and is a Loyal servant to the Altar of the Church. He also serves on the Board of The Maronite League, Maronite Council & Maronite Agency. In 2020, he founded the Knights of Columbus in Lebanon where his son, Rami Jr., is also a Knight. Dr. Rami serves as Our Lady of Lebanon Roundtable Coordinator and as Deputy Grand Knight of Washington Council 224.

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