

Annunciation Catholic Church

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



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

October 1, 2023

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Worship 1184

Entrance Hymn – Worship 566

Responsorial Psalm

"Remember your mercies, O Lord; remember your mercies, O Lord."

Offertory Hymn – Worship 739

Communion Hymn – Worship 932

Closing Hymn – Worship 779

Parish Announcements

Our second collection this weekend supports our school.

As Saturday, October 7th is the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary, we will be praying the rosary by Mary's garden (weather permitting) at 5:00pm prior to Mass and our Gala celebration.

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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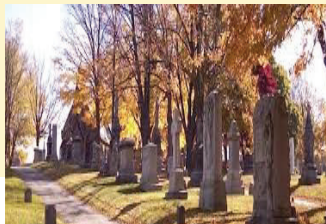
Sacramental Celebrations



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 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.

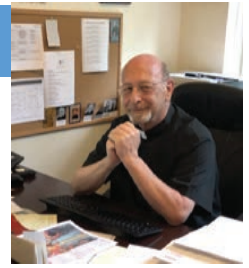
Liturgical Worship

"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

Pastor's Corner



Dear Parishioners and Friends,

On Saturday October 7, 2023, we will have a Gala to celebrate the 75th Anniversary of Annunciation Catholic Church. I wish to thank the organizing committee for their tireless efforts to make this a celebratory occasion. Please know how grateful the parishioners are for all your efforts on their behalf. You are lifted up in prayer and thanksgiving for all each of you have done.

We have reflected over the past several weeks on the Lord's call to forgive, show mercy, and to think and live as Christ Jesus. If we are honest with ourselves, this is not something we can do on our own. Our willpower is not sufficient. We must seek the grace of God and place ourselves in His hands. Many people find it difficult to accept help from another. They want to solely rely on their own abilities.

Yet, God is calling us to live beyond our own world and enter His Kingdom. In His Kingdom, He is the master and the giver of all that is needed to respond as He does. With God there is always forgiveness; He never holds back His compassion when we approach. Our God always reaches out to us, and His love is always directed toward our good. His love is not self-serving but always self-giving. Therefore, when we hear the Lord call us to do good, may we always respond with, "Yes!" If "Yes" is not our first response may we accept His grace to repent and turn back to the Lord.

God's Peace,
Fr. Mike

Mass Intentions

Sunday, October 1

8am	Parishioners	Afu
10am	Simonetta Brandolini d'Adda	Mellone
12pm	†Thomas & Girata & Family	Park

Monday, October 2

8am	†Iku Kawashita	Mellone
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Tuesday, October 3

8am	†Lou Rabil	Park
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Wednesday, October 4

8am	Fran D'Antuono	Afu
5:30pm	Peaceful Resolutions to Conflicts	Mellone

Thursday, October 5

8am	†CeCe MacVaugh	Mellone
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Friday, October 6

8am	†Souls in Purgatory	Afu
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Saturday, October 7

9am	†Pope Benedict XVI	Park
5:30pm	Simonetta Brandolini d'Adda	Mellone

What's Happening This Week?

Sunday, October 1

CLOW, 10:00am (Atrium)
Food Drive, 10:00am—12:00pm (Church & Parking Lot)

Monday, October 2

OCIA, 7:00pm (Conference Room)

Tuesday, October 3

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

Wednesday, October 4

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

Thursday, October 5

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

Saturday, October 7

Malta Meeting, 9:30am (Conference Room)
Confessions, 4:15pm (Church)
Rosary, 5:00pm (Mary's Garden)
Mass, 5:30pm (Church)
75th Anniversary Gala, 6:30pm (PC)

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 now accepting donations for our Christmas 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

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.”**



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SO MUCH MORE THAN A BIBLE STUDY

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 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



**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.

**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.



Annunciation



75th Anniversary

2023 - 2024



Rejoice, So Highly Favored!



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

Saturday, October 7th

75th Annunciation Parish Anniversary Dinner Gala

Annunciation Parish Center

6:30pm-9:30pm

*Limited tickets available

Note: tickets will not be available at the door.

As Saturday, October 7th is the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary, we will pray the rosary in Mary's Garden to the left of the front entrance of the church at 5:00 p.m. In case of rain, the rosary will be prayed in church. All parishioners are invited to join us.

PRAY FOR VOCATIONS

Join the Serrans as they pray for vocations and for those in consecrated life during the Holy Hour on Wednesday, October 4th. Holy Hour for vocations are scheduled at 6:00 p.m. on the first Wednesday of each month at Annunciation Church, 3810 Massachusetts Avenue, NW, Washington 20016.

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS




SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2023

2:00PM

IN FRONT OF THE CHURCH

ALL PETS ARE WELCOME



Religious Education

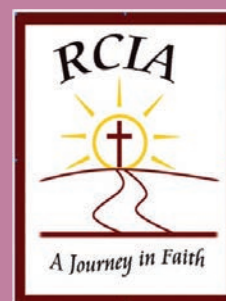
IT'S TIME TO REGISTER!

Religious Education has begun . Our faith is a lifelong process of formation and knowledge. Online registration is now open for our 2023-2024 Catechetical Program year! Register your 1-8 grade child(ren) today. Scan the code to complete registration.



ARE YOU SOMEONE OR DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO...

- Has expressed an interest in becoming Catholic?
- Has a child over the age of seven who has not been baptized?
- Was baptized Catholic as a child, but has not celebrated the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist?



We offer an opportunity to come together in a small group to learn more about our faith. Sessions focus on the teachings and experience of Church and prepare individuals to celebrate the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist during the Easter season. There are separate sessions for children or youth. You are welcome to participate in the process with your questions, your insights, and your faith story in a warm accepting setting.

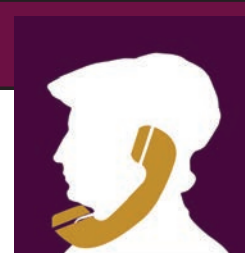
For information, please contact Andreja at 202-362-3323 or mezek@annunciationdc.org.

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 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.



< KID'S > KORNER

Gospel Today

Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time | Matthew 21:28-32

The older son in the parable first told his father no, I will not work, but had a change of heart and went to work in the vineyard. When we make poor choices, and have a change of heart, God forgives us and lets us try again.

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“I will not,’ he answered, but later he changed his mind and went.”

- Matthew 21:29



BIBLE WORD SEARCH

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

Parable

Two

Sons

Father

Said

Work

Vineyard

Today

Changed

Mind

Try

Again

Second

Agreed

Jesus

Stated

Sinners

Repented

Kingdom

First

Righteousness

Forgive

Choices

Heart

God

Believe

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MASS HONORING OUR LADY OF FATIMA

In honor of Our Lady of Fatima—Miracle of the Sun, the World Apostolate of Fatima, Archdiocese of Washington Division, "The Blue Army" invites you to a service which includes the Rosary, Mass, Confession, Brown Scapular enrollment, Divine Mercy Chaplet, and healing prayers on Friday, October 13, 2023 at the Basilica of the National Shrine in the Immaculate Heart of Mary Chapel at 1:00pm. For more information call 301-595-1770.



PLEASE JOIN US!

St. Ann's Center's Annual Fall Social

DATE: Wednesday, Oct. 4, 2023

TIME: 5:30 - 7:30 PM

PLACE: Irish Inn at Glen Echo
6119 Tulane Avenue, Glen Echo, MD 20812

Featuring
Guest Bartenders!

Stick around
for live music
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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
or 202-362-3323 x15 to schedule a drop-off**

FALL FOOD DRIVE

Sunday, October 1st
10am-12pm

**Bring your donations to Mass with You or
Drop-off in the parking lot**

Benefits Inner City Washington Food Pantries
through the John S. Mulholland Family Foundation

PANTRY NEEDS:

Canned Tuna or Chicken

Dry Cereal (Cheerios, Bran Flakes)

Canned Vegetables (Green Beans, Peas, Corn)

Soup (Hearty varieties are best)

Canned Fruit (any kind)

Peanut Butter and Jelly (Plastic containers please!)

Baked Beans (cans) and **Rice** (any size),

Pasta and Pasta Sauce (Plastic containers please!)

GROCERY GIFT CARDS ALWAYS WELCOME!

THIS WEEK ON **FORMED**

Week of October 01, 2023



Faustina and the Spread of Divine Mercy | Divine Mercy | Episode 4

This episode of Divine Mercy and the Second Greatest Story Ever Told, reveals how a saint from Poland embarked on one of the greatest missions in the history of the Church, becoming a catalyst for the message of Divine Mercy.



Brother Francis: The Barefoot Saint of Assisi

In this 10-part audio drama, listeners can dive into the life of St. Francis of Assisi, as he goes from being a son of wealth and privilege to a man who gave up everything for the sake of Christ.



The Feast of St. Thérèse

In celebration of the feast of St. Thérèse, Dr. Ben Akers and Dr. Scott Hefelfinger sit down to discuss the life and writings of this great saint and Doctor of the Church.

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