November 15, 2020

ANNUNCIATION CATHOLIC CHURCH

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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

Children's Liturgy of the Word 10:00am (Zoom)

Monday-Friday 8:00am & 11:00am

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Will Resume
Wednesday, December 2
11:30am—1:30pm

RECONCILIATION

Wednesday 11:30am-12:30pm

Saturday 4:15pm-5:15pm Or call the rectory for an appointment



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THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31

An encomium for a good and worthy wife, this passage from Proverbs extols all the virtues which a worthy wife possesses – fidelity, industriousness, skill, charity to the poor, and fear of the Lord.

Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 5:1-6

Once again, Paul reassures the Thessalonians, who are anxious about the coming of Christ, that they need not fear being unprepared because they are "children of light."

GOSPEL: MATTHEW 25:14-30

Jesus narrates the parable of the talents – in the story, the silver pieces given to the three men. Two of the men invest their coins and double their worth, but the third buries his coins in the ground and earns no return. The message of Jesus is that we must use to the fullest the talents we have received.

PRAY WITH SCRIPTURE

Monday Rv 1:1-4, 2:1-5; Lk 18:35-43 Tuesday Rv 3:1-6, 14-22; Lk 19:1-10

Wednesday Rv 4:1-11; Lk 19:11-28 or, for the Memorial of the Dedication, Acts 28:11-

16, 30-31; Mt 14:22-33

 Thursday
 Rv 5:1-10; Lk 19:41-44

 Friday
 Rv 10:8-11; Lk 19:45-48

 Saturday
 Rv 11:4-12; Lk 20:27-40

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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,

Shortly we will be celebrating Thanksgiving Day. Many people will wonder what do have to be thankful for in this most difficult year. It has been a year in which 53 million people have become ill due to Covid-19 and 1.3 million have died worldwide. The numbers are staggering and especially if it is a family member who has died or become



ill. People have lost their jobs, students are confined to computer screens, everyone has limited their contact with family and friends, and presently things seem to be getting worse. There is hope, on the horizon, with a vaccine.

All is not bleak! We have reconnected with family and friends over the distance. We no longer take for granted our health and that of others. We have participated in our parish activities virtually where before we may have not attended services. We have replied to the needs of others especially in food drive programs. More than likely we have increased our time with the Lord in prayer.

Many of you have contributed to the Thanksgiving Meal Program and the community is very grateful. If you follow our Flocknotes you will see the Coat Drive sponsored by Catholic Charities. If you have difficulty getting the coats to these areas I will be willing to assist.

Finally, but most importantly, we will have a Thanksgiving Day Mass, November 26, at 9 AM in the Church. It will be lived streamed on Youtube, on the Annunciation Catholic Church DC channel. If you wish to attend please register through Flocknotes. Remember seating will be limited. You will have the opportunity to express that which you are thankful for in the past year.

God's Peace, Fr. Mike

Advent Reflections from Society of the Holy Child Jesus

In lieu of our annual Advent Open House event, the Sisters of the Holy Child Jesus and Holy Child Associates invite you to join us for our virtual Advent Reflections. This four-part series of 90-second video meditations features images of the Sisters' Nativity collection. The videos provide an opportunity to take a peaceful pause during the Advent Season to reflect on the true gift of Christmas. Sign up for free at our website: www.shcj.org/american/175th-anniversary/2020-advent-season/

For more information, contact Joanna Pelizzoni at 610-626-1400 x315 or jpelizzoni@shcj.org.

Men's Reading Group



We will be meeting on Monday, November 23, 2020, to discuss the Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy "Sacrosanctum Concilium."

If you are interested, contact Louis at mchale@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 November will benefit the House of Ruth which assists women, children and families in greatest need and very limited resources build safe and stable lives.

SAINT OF THE WEEK



St. Rose Philippine Duchesne

1769-1852 Feast Day – November 18

Growing up in a prosperous French family, Philippine joined the Visitation nuns, but returned to her family during the French Revolution. In 1804 she entered the Society of the Sacred Heart. After much preparation, she led a missionary journey to Missouri in 1818. She set up the first free school west of the Mississippi, Sacred Heart houses and Novitiate, and a school for Indians. Despite frontier hardships and ill health, she persevered in her early dream of serving Native Americans.

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Mass Intentions

Sunday, November 15 – Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Mellone Parishioners Intentions 10:00 a.m. Sands V. James Lockman In Memory 12:00 p.m. SOSJ Maura Loakman In Memory

Monday, November 16 – Saint Margaret of Scotland; Saint Gertrude, Virgin 8:00 a.m. Mellone All Souls In Memory 11:00 a.m. Mellone Edward & Teresa Morace In Memory

Tuesday, November 17 – Saint Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious

8:00 a.m. Mellone All Souls In Memory 11:00 a.m. Mellone Jeffrey Riedl In Memory

Wednesday, November 18 – The Dedication of the Basilicas of Saints Peter & Paul, Apostles; Saint Rose Philippine Duchesne,

Virgin

8:00 a.m. Sands Tim Lanigan In Memory 11:00 a.m. Mellone All Souls In Memory

Thursday, November 19 – Thursday of the Thirty Third Week in Ordinary Time8:00 a.m.MarcheseCreusa R. DaSilvaIn Memory11:00 a.m.MelloneAll SoulsIn Memory

Friday, November 20 – Friday of the Thirty Third Week in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Marchese Dick Coffman In Memory 11:00 a.m. Mellone All Souls In Memory

Saturday, November 21 – The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

9:00 a.m. Mellone The Linard Family In Memory 5:30 p.m. Mellone The dePatoul Family In Memory

Sunday, November 22 – Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

8:00 a.m. SOSJ Julian Santiago, Sr. In Memory 10:00 a.m. Mellone Maura Loakman 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



BE A MISSIONARY DISCIPLE

St. John Paul II wrote in his work, *Redemptoris Missio*, "Missionary work has but one purpose: to serve man by revealing to him the love of God made manifest in Jesus Christ." You can be a missionary disciple by making your love of Jesus Christ known to others.

- 1. Pray the Holy Rosary for peace and God's mercy on the world.
- 2. Save your pennies to give to children in need. If you like, you can send these funds to the Mission's Office to send to the children in need.
- 3. Deepen your faith by reading and studying the daily Mass readings.
- 4. Do an act of kindness for someone: FaceTime with a family member, pray for someone who is sick, volunteer to clean the bathroom, make someone laugh who is sad, send a card to your friend or family far away, smile at someone.
- 5. Go to confession and attend Sunday Mass.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES LEGAL NETWORK SEEKING VOLUNTEER LAWYERS

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.

ALL Souls

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 All Souls carries on throughout the month of November. If you would like to include someone, please complete the envelope as pictured which will be placed by the Tabernacle. A Book of Names of the Dead will also be placed near the Sanctuary for you to enter names. Envelopes may be found in the back of Church. You can also enroll your beloved deceased in our Virtual Book of Remembrance on our website http://www.annunciationdc.org/all-souls-remembrance.html as we pray for all souls during the month of November.

THIS WEEK ...

Sunday, November 15 CLOW — 10:00am (Zoom) Faith Fun — 10:30am (Zoom)

Monday, November 16

Religious Ed/Grade 1 3:30pm (Zoom) Religious Ed/Grade 2 4:00pm (Zoom)

Tuesday, November 17

Bible Study—1:00pm (Zoom)
Religious Ed/Grade 3
3:30pm (Zoom)
Religious Ed/Grades 5 & 6
4:00pm (Zoom)
Baptism Preparation
7:00pm (Zoom)

Wednesday, November 18

Confession— 11:30am (Church)
Religious Ed/Grade 4
3:30pm (Zoom)
Religious Ed/CP 1 & CP 2
4:00pm (Zoom)
Bible Study—7:00pm (Zoom)

Thursday, November 19

Contemplative Prayer 6:20pm (Zoom)
Confirmation Practice 7:00pm (Zoom)

Saturday, November 21

Mass—9:00am (Church)
Confirmation
10:30am (Church)
Confession
4:15pm—5:15pm (Chapel)
Mass — 5:30pm (Church)

THE INTERRELIGIOUS COUNCIL THANKSGIVING DINNER

Washington Hebrew Congregation, St. Alban's Episcopal Church, and Annunciation Catholic Church have a long history of sharing Thanksgiving meals with our neighbors. Even in this time of social distancing, we are joining again this year to make a difference.



While we wish we could gather and share a com-

munal Thanksgiving meal, our commitment is to keep everyone safe. In keeping with Covid protocol, Washington Hebrew has agreed to purchase all the food and use in-house staff to prepare it in advance. A small group of registered volunteers will help assemble and distribute these prepackaged meals on Thanksgiving Day between 10:00am-12:00pm.

Meals will be distributed from Washington Hebrew Congregation (3935 Macomb St. NW, Washington DC 20016) between 10:00 AM and 12 noon.

To ensure the health and safety of our volunteers and community members, all volunteers must register for a shift in advance. We are accepting volunteers until all the positions are filled.

To volunteer: Please contact Layne Weiss at lweiss@whctemple.org or 202-895-6307.

Unable to volunteer? Your financial donation of \$20 per meal will off-set some of the cost. With our combined efforts, we hope to distribute 250 meals.

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.



2020 CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

DONATIONS

UPCOMING

MEMORIAL

SERVICE

December 5, 2020

10:30 Memorial Service Mary Louise Granahan

Donations for the Christmas Bazaar will be accepted by appointment only. Contact Tina Lindberg to set up an appointment to drop off your items at lindberg@annunciationdc.org. Thank you for your understanding and patience.

CHRISTMAS ALTAR DONATION FUND

The adornment of our Church with poinsettias, greens and treesgifts from God's creation is a way for us to remember loved ones and give thanks to God for people or events in our lives. Over the past years, we've asked for a donation of \$25. Because the smaller poinsettias costs \$47.95 and the larger trees, much more, we thought we would have a general Christmas Altar Do-



nation fund this year. Donations will still be mentioned in the bulletin with your intentions.

Should you wish to participate in this endeavor, you will be able to make your donation online or complete a Christmas Flower envelope that will be in the back of Church and drop it in the collection basket during weekend Masses.



Gospel Today

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time | Matthew 25:14-30

The parable tells of three servants given pieces of silver, or talents to use while their master was away. Two men used the talents wisely and doubled their worth. The third man buried the talent, not using it and not increasing its value. We learn we must faithfully use the gifts God gives us to be worthy servants and gain a place in the Kingdom.

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Year A



Definition: tal-ent

- 1. natural aptitude or skill.
- a former weight and unit of currency, used especially by the ancient Romans and Greeks.

"Well done my good and faithful servant. Since you were faithful in small matters, I will give you great responsibility."

- Matthew 25:21

BIBLE WORD SEARCH

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

Parable P Α R Α В Ε T H R Ε Ε Α **Talents** Three C S 0 R S E R ٧ Α N T C E Servants **Pieces** C Ε S S Ε D S Ε P L Α Ε D Silver **Entrusted** S S E T Т E U R 0 L D L 0 **Possessions Five** Ε R Ε L В I S Ν 0 P S E R Two One S T N Ε Ε D Α В I I Y I According Ability Ε S I S U S R Ν S F I V W Traded Buried I N E 0 R N R A E L N D Α Masters Money C E 0 G D E В U R I E D R Accounts Settled N Ε Ε N T R U S T Ε D D D Pleased Doubled C E S N I Α S Т N U 0 C Α Worth Learn 0 Т P F Α T H F U L R D Responsible Rewarded Y E Ν 0 M Α R T W 0 R Т Н Faithful