

February 9, 2020

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday

9:00am, Vigil 5:30pm

Miraculous Medal Novena
after the Saturday 9am Mass

Sunday

7:30am, 9:00am, 10:30am, &
12:30pm

Children's Liturgy of the Word
at the Sunday 9:00am Mass

Monday– Friday
8:00am & 11:00am

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Wednesday
11:30am-7pm

RECONCILIATION

Wednesday
11:30am-12:30pm

Saturday

4:15pm-5:15pm

*Or call the rectory for an
appointment*



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THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FIRST READING: ISAIAH 58:7-10

This reading is a vigorous exhortation from the prophet Isaiah to lead lives of active charity and generosity. He promises that the Lord will be our “dawn,” our “rear guard,” our “light” if we share our bread, shelter the homeless, and clothe the naked.

SECOND READING: 1 CORINTHIANS 2:1-5

Paul tells the Corinthians that he and they must not rely on the so-called “wisdom” of secular teaching and philosophy but on the power of the Spirit.

GOSPEL: MATTHEW 5:13-16

Jesus reminds the disciples and all Christians that they carry special responsibilities to be “the salt of the earth.” They must not hide their light but show their goodness to all.

PRAY WITH SCRIPTURE

Monday	1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13; Mk 6:53-56
Tuesday	1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30; Mk 7:1-13
Wednesday	1 Kgs 10:1-10; Mk 7:14-23
Thursday	1 Kgs 11:4-13; Mk 7:24-30
Friday	1 Kgs 11:29-32, 12:19; Mk 7:31-37
Saturday	1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34; Mk 8:1-10

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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://AnnunciationCatholicChurch1.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 of Annunciation,

Our readings strike home with us today in our own neighborhood. Isaiah says, "Thus says the LORD: Share your bread with the hungry, shelter the oppressed and the homeless; clothe the naked when you see them, and do not turn your back on your own." Is. 58:7



In a few weeks the Short Term Ward Three Family Shelter, known as "The Brooks," will open up on Idaho Ave NW. The newly constructed Ward 3 STFH program will include fifty (50) STFH family units, computer labs for the residents, administrative space for staff and providers, indoor/outdoor play space, homework/study lounge for residents and other amenities. The site will also include a parking structure to support Metropolitan Police Department vehicles and the STFH staff assigned to the site. There will be opportunities for our community to volunteer to assist these residents during the time of transition. We will work through our Parish Social Concerns Committee. Our good deeds must give glory to our God and allow the love he pours out upon us to be shared with our brothers and sisters.

These past few weeks we have heard a good deal how Kobe Bryant turned to his Catholic faith which helped him turn around his life. This grace is open to us as well. Ash Wednesday is February 26th and we will have many opportunities for the Light of Christ to shine upon us and show us the path we are to walk with the Lord. Please look forward to the extra times for confession, Stations of the Cross, and Parish Mission. The Lord is calling out to each of us where we are. Let us open our ears to hear.

God's Peace,

Fr. Mike

2020 SCHOLARSHIP COMPETITION FOR EIGHTH (8TH) GRADE STUDENTS

The Lucinda L. Jasper Scholarship Fund, Inc. (LLJSF) announces the 2020 Scholarship Competition. The LLJSF Competition is open to all eighth grade students attending a Catholic elementary school in the Archdiocese of Washington D.C. who are attending a Catholic high school in the fall in the Archdiocese of Washington D.C.

Interested students can apply online at <http://www.lljsf.org/>. Students must complete an application form, write a 1500-2500 word essay, provide one teacher recommendation and have the principal submit a school report. Details on the essay submission can be found at the website, <http://www.lljsf.org/>. Submissions are accepted ONLY online and are due by 11:59 pm March 31, 2019.

For more information, visit <http://www.lljsf.org/> or contact Charmene Alston, Director of Applications, at 301-780-5313 or send an email to lljsf@aol.com.



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.

SECOND COLLECTION

February 16

Ministry to the Homeless

POOR BOX

Donations for the month of February will benefit the FAIR Girls. FAIR Girls offers compassionate care to prevent the exploitation of all girls, with a special emphasis on girls who have experienced homelessness, life inside the foster care system, sexual abuse, and trafficking.

This week's bulletin is made possible by our sponsor

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FUNERAL HOME

SAINT OF THE WEEK



OUR LADY OF LOURDES

19th century

FEAST FEBRUARY 11

This feast recalls the 18 appearances of Mary to a young French girl, Bernadette Soubirous, from Feb. 11 to July 16, 1858, near a grotto at Lourdes, France. Bernadette did not know the identity of “the beautiful lady in white,” and asked who she was. Mary said, “I am the Immaculate Conception,” the title Pope Pius IX had defined as dogma four years earlier. In 1890 Pope Leo XIII allowed the local Diocese of Tarbes to celebrate this feast; Pope Pius X made it a universal feast in 1907. Lourdes is still the most famous Marian shrine in Western Europe.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, February 9—*Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

7:30 a.m.	Berard	Vocations	Intentions
9:00 a.m.	Berard	Theresa Morace	In Memory
10:30 a.m.	Mellone	Parishioners	Intentions
12:30 p.m.	Mellone	Benefactors	Intentions

Monday, February 10—*Saint Scholastica, Virgin*

8:00 a.m.	Mellone	Cletus Romansky	In Memory
11:00 a.m.	Berard	Lilia Africa	In Memory

Tuesday, February 11—*Our Lady of Lourdes*

8:00 a.m.	Berard	Rosita, Hector Falla & Children	In Memory
11:00 a.m.	Mellone	James Armistead	In Memory

Wednesday, February 12—*Wednesday of the Fifth Week in Ordinary Time*

8:00 a.m.	Mellone	Hector Eduarto Falla	In Memory
11:00 a.m.	Berard	Joseph daSilva	In Memory

Thursday, February 13—*Thursday of the Fifth Week in Ordinary Time*

8:00 a.m.	Marchese	Elvira Velasquez	In Memory
11:00 a.m.	Mellone	Willem Nijhof	In Memory

Friday, February 14—*Saints Cyril, Monk, and Methodius, Bishop*

8:00 a.m.	Marchese	Fran Freeman	In Memory
11:00 a.m.	Mellone	James P. Gleason	In Memory

Saturday, February 15—*Saturday of the Fifth Week in Ordinary Time*

9:00 a.m.	Berard	Carlos Sole	In Memory
5:30 p.m.	Mellone	Helen Elizabeth Beirne Barrett	In Memory

Sunday, February 16—*Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

7:30 a.m.	Mellone	Julian Santiago, Sr.	In Memory
9:00 a.m.	Mellone	Gerda Ritschel	In Memory
10:30 a.m.	Berard	Jesse Ortiz	In Memory
12:30 p.m.	Berard	Parishioners	Intentions

We can bring Holy Communion to those who are sick or home-bound. Ministers are available to visit any member of Annunciation who cannot attend Sunday Liturgy due to extended health issues or the infirmities of age. Please call Tina Lindberg at 202-362-3323 x 15 or email lindberg@annunciationdc.org. Weekly Eucharist, prayer, fellowship, and sharing news from Annunciation keeps us all in communion as the Body of Christ.

Please continue to pray for all our parishioners who are hospitalized, home-bound, or living in a care facility.

PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND!

Join us in the footsteps of Jesus, October 18 to 27, 2020. We will visit many biblical holy places on this trip including: Nazareth, Cana, Galilee, Jerusalem, Bethlehem, Gethsemane, Holy Sepulchre, the Jordan River, Dead Sea and more! Fr. Rob Maro and Fr. Michal Sajnog will be joining us to provide Mass, confession and spiritual direction. The cost of this trip based on double occupancy is only \$3,855.00. Please contact Bread of Life Center for Peace for the full itinerary and trip details at (301) 475-7139 or visit our website www.breadoflifecenterforpeace.org and click on the Holy Land Pilgrimage button at the top right. This trip will fill up fast, so don't wait to register!



ARIMATHEANS NEEDED!

We need more volunteers for this Ministry. The name of the ministry comes from Joseph of Arimathea, who appears in all four of the Gospels.

When it was already evening, since it was the day of preparation, the day before the Sabbath, Joseph of Arimathea, a distinguished member of the council, who was himself awaiting the Kingdom of God, came and courageously went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. Pilate was amazed that he was already dead. He summoned the centurion and asked him if Jesus had already died. And when he learned of it from the centurion, he gave the body to Joseph. Having brought a linen cloth, he took him down, wrapped him in the linen cloth and laid him in a tomb that had been hewn out of rock. Then he rolled a stone against the entrance of the tomb. Mary Magdalene and Mary, the mother of Jesus, watched where he laid. Mark 15, 42-47.

At each funeral Mass, there are usually two Arimatheans who perform the following tasks:

- Light all the candles including the Paschal candle
- Prepare the gifts and the incense for Mass
- Precede the celebrant(s) with the cross and Holy Water
- Assist the celebrant as altar servers
- Serve as lector and as Extraordinary Ministers of the Holy Communion, if necessary.

With each funeral Mass, Arimatheans hope to do their small part in comforting a grieving family in the example of their namesake, who must have comforted Mary with his care of the body of Jesus. Ideally, an Arimathean is someone with flexibility in their work schedule or retired, a fully initiated catholic and a desire to serve. Training is provided. There are several who have volunteered for this ministry so there is no pressure to serve unless you are able.

Contact Patrice Morace at morace@annunciationdc.org or 202-362-3323 x 13 for more information.

2020 CHRISTMAS BAZAAR DONATIONS

Cleaning up after Christmas? Making room for new things? Consider making a donation to the 2020 Christmas Bazaar! Drop your items off at the parish office, Tuesday-Friday from 10am-2pm. Many thanks!



THIS WEEK ...

Sunday, February 9

CLOW

9:00am (PC)

Faith Fun

9:30am (PC)

Speaker Series

11:30am (PC)

Tuesday, February 11

Bible Study

11:30am (Parish Center)

RCIA

7:00pm (CR)

Wednesday, February 12

Eucharistic Adoration

11:30am (Church)

Bible Study

7:00pm (CR)

Children's Religious Ed

7:00pm (School & Church)

Thursday, February 13

Contemplative Prayer

6:25pm (Parlor)

Choir Rehearsal

7:30pm (Church)



UPCOMING MEMORIAL SERVICES

February 17, 2020—10:30am

Patricia Daley

March 7, 2020 — 1:00pm

Gary Saltsman



Tuesdays

after the 11:00am Mass

or

Wednesdays at 7:00pm

in the Parish Center

ANNUNCIATION YOUNG ADULT EVENTS

Sign up for emails about
Young Adult events on our
website

www.annunciationdc.org



Next weekend we will ask you to prayerfully consider your gift to the 2020 Annual Appeal. This weekend, brochures and frequently asked questions about the Annual Appeal are available in our church to help inform your giving. You may also visit the Annual Appeal website at appeal.adw.org.

The Annual Appeal supports more than 60 ministries and programs that benefit countless women, men, children and families in the Church of Washington. As in every year, 100% of your contribution to the Annual Appeal will be designated to the ministries and programs supported by the Appeal. Thank you for your prayerful consideration and generous response.

THE IGNATIAN VOLUNTEER CORPS

What will you do for your professional encore? If you are moving towards either a full or part time retirement and are thinking about what follows a long and successful career, consider meaningful service. The Ignatian Volunteer Corps (IVC) is a program established by the Jesuits that gives seasoned women and men over 50 an opportunity to share their experience with those in our Washington community in greatest need, while participating in a formation program rooted in Ignatian Spirituality. The commitment is part time and there are a number of rewarding service opportunities in the Metropolitan region. For more information on the IVC or to attend an informational session later in February, please contact Dan Kerns at dkerns@ivcusa.org or by calling 202-415-4411.

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 series will begin Tuesday, February 25, and continue for eight consecutive Tuesdays through April 14, 2020 from 7:00-8:30 PM. There is no fee but REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED. For more information contact Jim Hoffman at hoffmanlpc@gmail.com or call cell: (202) 577 – 2213.

SQUARE DANCE

There will be a Square Dance on Friday, February 21st in the Parish Center. Enjoy a Pot Luck Dinner at 6:30pm with dancing to follow at 8pm. For more information contact Leo Gorman at 202-244-2394.



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Gospel Today Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time / Matthew 5:13-16

Jesus says His disciples should enhance the world with goodness, light up the world with love, and influence the world for positive change.

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"Just so, your light must shine before others,
that they may see your good deeds and glorify
your heavenly Father."

Matthew 5:16



Salt of the Earth... Light of the World



If God's love was in a popcorn kernel...



It would get all heated up, ready to burst out and **expand** enormously.



A few tablespoons (unpopped) = a whole bowl (popped)

The aroma generates some curious attention, people gather,
sensing a good thing - **just a bit of salt enhances the goodness!**



Offer Grace. . .
Giving thanks
to God...

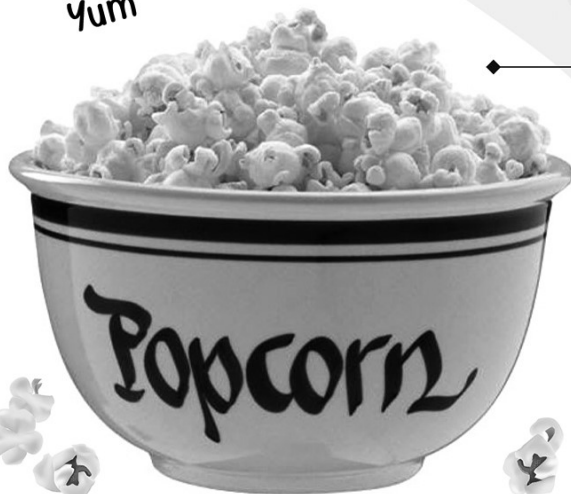


Share the LOVE!



yum yum
yum

LET'S MAKE POPCORN



With adult help, pop some popcorn your favorite way...
kettle, air, microwave. Think of God's love being in each
kernel, bursting out with each **pop, pop, pop.**

Share your light, salty snack and your thoughts...



Think: What are some things you can do to make God's
world a better place? Do the words you speak bring out
the best in another person, like salt brings out the flavor
in popcorn? Do your actions light up the world with love
and kindness improving other people's lives?