#### September 1, 2019

# ANNUNCIATION CATHOLIC CHURCH

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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

#### EUCHARISTIC 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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#### TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Sirach 3:17-18, 20, 28-29

Those who are humble will find favor with God. Everyone should realize that there is much we can learn from each other. Even the most knowledgeable people need to be humble enough to know that they can still learn from others.

#### Second Reading: Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24a

The Hebrews are informed that they are not approaching an untouchable mountain etched with gloom and fear. Rather, they have neared "the city of the living God, Jerusalem." The Hebrews have approached a joyful gathering of angels, God our judge, and Jesus, who brought us a new covenant.

#### GOSPEL: LUKE 14:1, 7-14

Jesus went to share a meal with one of the leading Pharisees when he noticed other guests competing for places of honor at the table. He warned that a guest who takes the place of honor may be asked to move to the lowest place. Yet a guest who takes the lowest place is honored when a better position is offered by their host. He then added, "He who humbles himself will be exalted."

#### PRAY WITH SCRIPTURE

**Monday** 1 Thes 4:13-18; Lk 4:16-30

**Tuesday** 1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11; Lk 4:31-37

 Wednesday
 Col 1:1-8; Lk 4:38-44

 Thursday
 Col 1:9-14; Lk 5:1-11

 First Friday
 Col 1:15-20; Lk 5:33-39

**First Saturday** Col 1:21-23; Lk 6:1-5

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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.

#### Visit Our Homebound Parishioners

We are in need of more Eucharistic ministers to make home visits. A number of our parishioners are home-bound and would like to receive Communion weekly. Help us reach out to our neighbors in need. Share the gift of the Eucharist and community. Please contact Tina Lindberg at 202-362-3323 x15 or lindberg@annunciationdc.org if you can help or have any questions. Thank you!

#### **DC Padres**

The DC Padres, a baseball team consisting entirely of Catholic priests and seminarians, will play their first-and-only game on **Sunday**, **September 22** at the Bing Crosby Stadium in Front Royal, VA. The game begins at ~ 5:30 PM. Tickets available at the gate. See www.dcpadres.com or DC Padres Facebook page for details. Let's fill the stadium in support of our priests and seminarians!

#### Pastor's Corner

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

Do you ever sing the song, *It's Hard to be Humble?* The first few lines goes like this, <u>Oh Lord it's hard to be humble when you're perfect in every way. I can't wait to look in the mirror cause I get better looking each day. To know me is to love me. I must be a hell of a man. Oh Lord it's hard to be humble, but I'm doing the best that I can. The song written by Mac Davis expresses the difficulties of being humble when you are on top but still all alone.</u>



This Sunday's Gospel calls for us to be humble and to be joyful in it, knowing that we have a greater reward in the resurrection of the righteous. It is important to count one's blessings but it is even more important to know from where those blessings come. They are from the Lord, for all good gifts are from our loving God. Know that he humbled himself to become one with us, shedding himself of the glory of God and taking on a human nature. May the virtue of humility be one we practice this week and in the years ahead.

Lift up in prayer all teachers and students as they return to the classroom to seek wisdom and truth especially in their relationship with the Lord. May this Labor Day weekend bring you joy for all the Lord does for us.

God's peace,

Fr. Mike

## PROJECT BACKPACK THANK YOU!

Holy Redeemer parishioners want to thank the Social Concerns Committee of the Church of the Annunciation and their parishioners for your generous donation of school bookbags and supplies. You are a blessing to the children of our church, our community and neighborhood. We thank you for assisting so many of our families and, especially, our children who face the challenges of learning and survival everyday.

Thank you!

Fr. David Bava, Pastor

Holy Redeemer Catholic Church

#### 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 Fall series will begin Tuesday, October 22, and continue for eight consecutive Tuesdays through December 10, 2019, 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.

#### SHRED-A-THON!



Pack up your unneeded receipts, bank statements, and other documents and bring them to the Shred -a-thon on Saturday, September 14, 2019 from 10am-1pm in the parish parking lot. The suggested donation \$10.



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

September 8
Catholic University

#### Poor Box

Donations for the month of September will benefit SOME which helps meet the immediate daily needs of the poor and works to break the cycle of homelessness in our city.

This week's bulletin is made possible by our sponsor

De Carlo'S RISTORANTE

#### SAINT OF THE WEEK



# TERESA OF KOLKATA 1910-1997 FEAST SEPTEMBER 7

Raised in a deeply Catholic family in Albania, Agnes Gonxha Bojaxhiu joined the Sisters of Loreto in 1928 and took the name Teresa. The community sent her to Kolkata, India, where she taught children for two decades. In 1946 Teresa heard God's call to quench the thirst of Jesus by caring for the poorest of the poor. She left the Sisters of Loreto to rescue the sick and destitute in the slums of Kolkata -- one at a time. Many volunteers soon joined her and she formed them into her religious order, the Missionaries of Charity. Teresa's manifest goodness and her unique media savvy attracted global attention, drawing many people to God. Many regard her as the greatest Catholic evangelist of the 20th century. She was beatified in 2003 and canonized in 2016.

**CNS Saints** 

12:30 p.m.

Antonicelli

#### Mass Intentions

<b>Sunday, September 1</b> – Twenty-Second (22nd) Sunday in Ordinary Time			
7:30 a.m.	Mellone	Benefactors	Intentions
9:00 a.m.	Berard	Margarita Añez Ariza	In Memory
10:30 a.m.	Antonicelli	Parishioners	Intentions
12:30 p.m.	Berard	Vocations	Intentions
Monday, September 2 – Monday of the 22nd Week in Ordinary Time			
9:00 a.m.	Mellone	Forgotten Souls in Purgatory	In Memory
Tuesday, September 3 – Saint Gregory the Great, Pope, Doctor of the Church			
8:00 a.m.	Berard	Special Intentions	Intentions
11:00 a.m.	Mellone	Andrea Clune	In Memory
<b>Wednesday, September 4</b> – Wednesday of the 22nd Week in Ordinary Time			
8:00 a.m.	Mellone	Jerry Lenhart	In Memory
11:00 a.m.	Berard	Pat Frohman	In Memory
<b>Thursday, September 5</b> – Thursday of the 22nd Week in Ordinary Time			
8:00 a.m.	Marchese	Mireya Gutierrez	In Memory
11:00 a.m.	Mellone	Elvira Velasquez	In Memory
Friday, September 6 – Friday of the 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time			
8:00 a.m.	Marchese	Rosita Añez de Falla	In Memory
11:00 a.m.	Berard	Georgette S. Gleason	In Memory
<b>Saturday, September 7</b> – <i>Saturday of the 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>			
9:00 a.m.	Mellone	Nathan Zahedi	In Memory
5:30 p.m.	Berard	Ted Gessner	In Memory
Sunday, Sept	e <b>mber 8</b> – Twenti	y-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time	
7:30 a.m.	Berard	The Carlsen Family	In Memory
9:00 a.m.	Mellone	Parishioners	Intentions
10:30 a.m.	Mellone	Jack & Natalie Shea	In Memory

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.

Clementina Theresa Sclafani

In Memory

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

#### CATHOLICS IN ACTION (CIA)

Our teen group, Catholics In Action, is in need of adults to chaperone them to various charities on Saturday mornings. Some of the projects involve adults to drive them around so they could deliver groceries to the homebound. Contact Patrice Morace at 202-362-3323 ext. 13 or morace@annunciationdc.org if you're able to help.

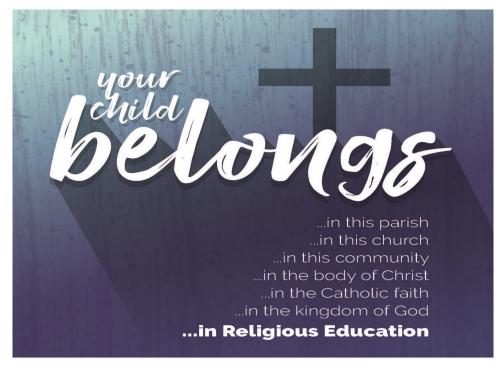


#### RCIA (RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION)

Looking to become Catholic or complete your sacraments of Confirmation or First Eucharist? Do you know someone who is interested? Our RCIA program may be the solution. Contact Patrice Morace at 202-362 -3323 ext. 13 or morace@annunciationdc.org.



#### It's Time to Register!



Please register online (www.annunciationdc.org) under the Religious Education tab. We ask that parents plan to attend the Opening Session on September 18. The opening session will be held at Church at 7pm. Contact Patrice Morace at 202.362.3323 ext 13 or morace@annunciationdc.org for more information.

#### **FLOCKNOTES**

Want to receive timely information from Father Mike? Join the over 1,300 members already in the know! Sign up for



email messages directly at <a href="https://AnnunciationCatholicChu1.flocknote.com/">https://AnnunciationCatholicChu1.flocknote.com/</a> 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.

#### This Week ...

Sunday, September 1 CLOW 9:00am (PC) Faith Fun 9:30am (PC)

Monday, September 2
Office Closed — Labor Day
One Daily Mass
9:00am

Wednesday, September 4
Eucharistic Adoration
11:30am (Church)

Thursday, September 5 Contemplative Prayer 6:25pm (Parlor) Choir Rehearsal 7:30am (Church)

Saturday, September 7
Baptism
2:30pm (Church)

#### 2019 CHRISTMAS BAZAAR DONATIONS



Making room for new things? Consider making a donation to the 2019 Christmas Bazaar! Drop your items off at the parish office, Tuesday-Friday from 10am-2pm. Many thanks!

#### Annunciation Young Adult Events

Sign up for emails about Young Adult events on our website www.annunciationdc.org

## Volunteers Needed

#### FAITH FORMATION VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Our programs could use a few more adults to share our faith with others. We use a team approach so that the commitment does not exceed 2 to 3 hours on a monthly basis. Kindly take some time to pray and contemplate if God is calling you. Contact Patrice Morace at 202-362-3323 extension 13 or morace@annunciationdc.org to explore if this is the right ministry for you.

# CHILDREN - YOUTH - ADULT

#### CHILDREN'S RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Meets on Wednesday evenings from 7PM to 8:15PM. We have 3 to 4 teachers per grade level so the commitment would be once every three or four weeks for

8 months. All lesson plans have been done for you so it's preparation and presentation. Our program is very experiential and provides lots of opportunities for the children to play games and do activities while learning their faith Help is needed in grade levels 3, 4, 5 and 6.

We also have a few students with special needs who require one on one help. An online program is used for instruction. Adults are needed to walk with them through the program.

#### CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

Our children's liturgy of the word program runs every Sunday at 9AM to 9:30AM. The word of God that we experience at Mass are proclaimed to the children in a way that they can understand and incorporate God into their lives. Resources are provided so it's a question of preparation and presentation.

#### FAITH FUN

This program starts at 9:30AM to 10AM following the children's liturgy of the word program for two to five-year olds in the parish center. It is actually an interactive Bible study, with a verbal introduction followed by activities and games. All materials are provided to make you an expert!

#### ADULT BIBLE STUDY

We run our Bible studies during the day and also the evening. The daytime Bible study meets on Tuesdays at 11:30AM to 12:30PM in the parish center. The evening Bible study meets on Wednesday evenings at 7PM to 8PM at the Parish office conference room.

Both sessions run weekly from September to May. Our first session will be a study of the Gospel of Matthew and then during the Lent and Easter season we will be studying "Meeting Jesus in the Gospel of John." We use video-based materials and all resources are provided including discussion questions.

#### RCIA & RCIC

These programs are for those who want to be become Catholic. Our adult program meets twice a month on a Tuesday from 7PM to 8:30 PM. Our children's program meets on Sunday mornings from 10:30AM to 11:30AM weekly. All lesson plans and resources are provided.

#### LITURGICAL MINISTERS

We always need Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Altar Servers & Arimatheans (adults who help serve at funerals).

#### REFRESHMENT HOSPITALITY

We offer refreshments after the 9AM and 10:30AM Masses. We use teams of people for set up before the 9AM Mass. They replenish before they leave at 10:15AM. The cleanup team starts at noon to 12:30PM. We especially need people to step up for the cleanup portion. The commitment is once a month.

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**Gospel Today** 

Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time / Luke 14:1, 7-14

Jesus wants us to "give" with unselfish kindness, putting others needs before our own. Being compassionate, and not expecting anything in return, puts us first in God's eyes.

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## Jesus says...

"When you hold a lunch or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relations or your wealthy neighbors, in case they may invite you back and you have repayment."

-LUKE 14:12



Write the alphabet letters **NOT** found on the plate.



Unscramble the letters above and fill in the blanks to complete the sentence below.

For you will be repaid at the resurrection of the

