#### October 10, 2021

# ANNUNCIATION CATHOLIC CHURCH



Mass Schedule

Saturday 9:00am, Vigil 5:30pm

Miraculous Medal Novena after the Saturday 9am Mass

Sunday 8:00am, 10:00am, & 12:00pm

Monday– Friday 8:00am

#### RECONCILIATION

Saturday 4:15pm-5:15pm Or call the rectory for an appointment 3810 Massachusetts Ave NW

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### TWENTY EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

#### FIRST READING: WISDOM 7:7-11

This poem discusses how the spirit of wisdom is far more beautiful than any riches could be. All gold is no more than sand when compared to the importance of wisdom, which often leads people to the other good things in life.

#### SECOND READING: HEBREWS 4:12-13

God's perception of people is called "sharper than any two-edged sword." God is able to know the thoughts and feelings of all his people. We can hide nothing from him, and will need to account for all he has seen in us.

#### Gospel: Mark 10:17-30

A man asks Jesus how he can share in everlasting life. Jesus tells him to sell his possessions and travel with them. The man refuses and Jesus tells his disciples how difficult it is for a rich person to enter heaven if they are too concerned with their possessions. The disciples remind Jesus that they gave up everything for him, but he assures them they will be rewarded with everlasting life.

## PRAY WITH SCRIPTURE

MondayRom 1:1-7; Lk 11:29-32TuesdayRom 1:16-25; Lk 11:37-41WednesdayRom 2:1-11; Lk 11:42-46ThursdayRom 3:21-30; Lk 11:47-54FridayRom 4:1-8; Lk 12:1-7SaturdayRom 4:13, 16-18; Lk 12:8-12

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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**

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Want to receive timely information from Father Mike? Sign up for email messages at <a href="https://AnnunciationCatholicChu1.flocknote.com/everyone">https://AnnunciationCatholicChu1.flocknote.com/everyone</a> 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,

My brother and I, along with many other people, were following the last few days of the baseball season. For us it was heart attack city. The team we were rooting for did make the playoffs and that was a relief. During the last couple of weeks though we were questioning the players commitment to winning, the judgement of the manager's decisions, how the team was



put together, the umpires, and many other aspects of the game. In the grand picture of things, following a baseball team and getting overly excited in their winning or losing does not rate very high on the importance of values.

What does it mean to commit oneself to Christ and His Church? Now, here is an important question and one we should spend a good deal of time with in reflection and prayer. Our commitment to the Lord and His Church established by Jesus Christ is the source of our salvation and the gateway to eternal life. Following the commandments is a first step and a good one for all. Jesus often sees in our lives other attachments, which may draw us away from making a full commitment. In order to discover what these may be we need to seek the wisdom that the Lord offers us in our private prayer and through the Church, Wisdom 7:7 – 11, our first reading for the 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time. We must look at this coming Sunday's Gospel passage, Mark 10:17 – 30, through the same eyes of Jesus. We see the love the Lord has for us and the striving we are already doing to seek His will in our lives. Then we can see the further steps that may be taken. Remember we are on a life long journey, and the Lord's love for us never ends even as He prunes away from us those attractions that distract us from our final destination, oneness with our God and Savior.

Next week, parishioners will be receiving a request to reflect upon their offerings in support of the parish and its ministries to evangelize and serve our brothers and sisters through charity. Please give this some thought and prayer as you make your sacrifice to the parish.

God's Peace, Fr. Mike

## FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS VIRTUAL CELEBRATION

It will be a mix of live and recorded elements sharing the amazing work of Friendship Place. To join the Friends and Neighbors Virtual Celebration, on Sunday, October 10th at 5:30pm, please email Chris Koerner of the Friendship Place staff (<a href="mailto:ckoerner@friendshipplace.org">ckoerner@friendshipplace.org</a>.)



## HOMEBOUND HOSPITALIZED PARISHIONERS

We depend on families, friends, and neighbors to notify the parish office if parishioners are hospitalized and/or homebound so we may provide the sacraments - especially Holy Communion.

If you know of anyone in need of the sacraments, please contact us. Also, if you'd like to volunteer to take Holy Communion to your fellow parishioners, please contact Tina Lindberg at 202-362-3323 x15 or lindberg@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 October will benefit the Gabriel Network to provide loving services to women and families challenged with a crisis pregnancy.

#### SAINT OF THE WEEK



## SAINT MARIA SOLE-DAD TORRES ACOSTA

**Feast Day – October 11** 1826-1887

As a child in Madrid, Spain, Manuela Torres Acosta reportedly was more intent on getting playmates to pray than to play. In 1851, she and six companions were invited by a Servite priest to provide home care to the sick of his parish. Taking the name Maria Soledad to honor Our Lady of Sorrows and overcoming her fear of nursing, she became a founder of the Handmaids of Mary Serving the Sick. As superior for 35 years, she oversaw the congregation's rapid expansion and battled government opposition; she was canonized in 1970. One of her novices said, "Mother Soledad is like an anvil; she is constantly taking a beating."

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### Mass Intentions

Sunday, October 10–Twenty Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. SOSJ Benefactors Intentions 10:00 a.m. Macfarlane Parishioners Intentions 12:00 p.m. Macfarlane Vocations Intentions

Monday, October 11-Saint John XXIII, Pope

8:00 a.m. Mellone Angelina Lopez In Memory

**Tuesday, October 12**–*Tuesday of the Twenty Eighth Week in Ordinary Time* 8:00 a.m. Mellone Concepcion & Jaime Cofino In Memory

Wednesday, October 13–Wednesday of the Twenty Eighth Week in Ordinary Time 8:00 a.m. Mellone Kathleen Striegel In Memory

Thursday, October 14–Saint Callistus I, Pope, Martyr

8:00 a.m. Marchese Maria Ruggiero In Memory

Friday, October 15-Saint Teresa of Jesus, Virgin, Doctor of the Church

8:00 a.m. Marchese William & Marilyn Panke In Memory

Saturday, October 16-Saint Hedwig, Religious;

Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque, Virgin

9:00 a.m. Mellone Andrea Clune In Memory5:30 p.m. SOSJ Bernardo & Elvira Velasquez In Memory

Sunday, October 17-Twenty Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Mellone Souls in Purgatory In Memory 10:00 a.m. Macfarlane Parishioners Intentions 12:00 p.m. Macfarlane Msgr. Michael Mellone 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



## 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.





"Jesus teaches us another way: Go. Go and share your testimony, go and interact with your brothers, go and share. Become the Word in body as well as spirit". Pope Francis

#### ARE YOU READY TO STEP OUTSIDE YOUR WORLD AND TOUCH THE LIVES OF OTHERS?

We invite you to share your time and talent by participating in a ministry or activity in our parish. What are your gifts? What talents do you want to share with others? Please review the volunteer opportunities and prayerfully consider sharing your gifts with the parish community.

Consider talking to Andreja Mezek or Tina Lindberg to explore how you can serve. Call 202.362.3323 or email at: mezek@annunciationdc.org, lindberg@annunciationdc.org or see us at Sunday Masses!

#### **CHILDREN'S FAITH FORMATION**

Want to learn more about your faith? Try teaching! Our children's education and liturgy programs are in need of adults who want to make a difference in our children's faith life. Each grade level has 3 to 4 adults so that the commitment is once a month or so and based on your availability!

The Faith formation program meets on Wednesday evenings 7pm to 8:15pm, September through the beginning of May. All lesson plans are done for you! (and we like to have fun!)

#### CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD LEADER

Meets on Sundays during the Liturgy of the Word portion of Mass at the 10am Mass. Proclaim the weekly readings to children. Sessions begin in September. All materials and activities provided...guaranteed to make you a scripture scholar!

#### CHILDREN'S FAITH FUN PROGRAM LEADER

Meets on Sundays at 10:30am to 11am. This is a scripture-based learning experience for children ages 5 and under. Sessions begin in September. All materials, activities supplied. Adult  $\mathcal{E}$  teen help provided.

#### Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Ushers & Altar Servers

Lectors proclaim the Word at Mass during the week, weekends, and Holy Days. Prayer of the Faithful and announcements are added on the weekend.

Eucharistic Ministers help with the distribution of Holy Communion at Mass.

Ushers welcome parishioners as they arrive for Mass and help find seats as necessary, collect the offertory, and distribute the bulletin.

Altar Servers assist the priest at Mass. Adults welcome!

Serve at the Mass of your choice and availability. Training and preparation provided.



## UPCOMING FUNERAL SERVICE

October 16, 2021 (10:30am) Monique Fry

## THIS WEEK ...

Sunday, October 10

CLOW 10:00am (PC) Blessing of the Pets 11:30am (Front of Church)

#### Monday, October 11

Mass 8:00am (Church) Parish Office Closed

#### Wednesday, October 13

Religious Education 7:00am (School)

#### Thursday, October 14

Contemplative Prayer 6:20pm (Zoom)

#### Saturday, October 16

Mass 9:00am (Church)
Memorial Service (Monique Fry)
10:30am (Church)
Confession
4:15pm — 5:15pm (Chapel)
Mass 5:30pm (Church)



### SUPPORT SAINT LUKE INSTITUTE

Clergy and consecrated religious experience mental and spiritual health care needs just like all of us. Thankfully, there is a place of healing for them when stress, anxiety, or depression set in. Saint Luke Institute (SLI), located in Silver Spring, MD, provides expert and compassionate care for the men and women who have served us so long and well. The *Benefit for Saint Luke Institute*, held annually on the Feast of Saint Luke, is an opportunity for Catholics to show their support for this crucial ministry.

When and Where Monday, October 18, 2021 at 6:30 P.M. Apostolic Nunciature Washington, DC

Honoring

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See sli.org or contact development @sli.orgfor more information, sponsorships, and tickets.



In observance of All Souls Day, November 2, the Little Sisters of the Poor invite you to remember those who have gone before us and those who have made a difference in our lives.

If you would like the names of your loved ones added to the list of those remembered in prayer by the Little Sisters on November 2 and at Masses throughout the month, email <a href="mailto:devwashington@littlesistersofthepoor.org">devwashington@littlesistersofthepoor.org</a> to send their names to Heather Cave.

They ask that you also consider making an offering, if you can, to help care for the aged poor men and women in their care.

To submit names, with a donation, email <a href="https://littlesistersofthepoorwashingtondc.theyshareonline.org/ws/opportunities/">https://littlesistersofthepoorwashingtondc.theyshareonline.org/ws/opportunities/</a>
<a href="https://ws/opportunities/">ACommemorationoftheFeastofAllSoulsNovember2.</a>

The Little Sisters have it at heart to pray very much for those confided to their prayers.

Together they pray for all those who have passed from this world, and they await a joyful resurrection for all in God's kingdom.

May the angels, our guardians, lead them to paradise where your saints will welcome them."

## **Annunciation Catholic School**

Annunciation Catholic School and Annunciation Parish shared the joy of planting 16 trees on October 4<sup>th</sup> on campus to commemorate the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi. The Laudato Poe Tree project of the Archdiocese of Washington, under the direction of Phil Downey, Jr. and aided by Annunciation's Tina Lindberg, brought to life on our campus the message of Pope Francis' encyclical "Laudato Si" by engaging our Annunciation Catholic School scholars in the planting of 16 trees, a discussion of their importance to the climate, and the follow-up care needed to insure a vibrant canopy of trees at Annunciation. Monsignor Mike Mellone and Principal Nicole Peltier Lewis led this celebration of what the Archdiocese refers to as, "Renewing the Oikos of God." Our enthusiastic scholars and members of the ACS Ecology Club are eager to take part in maintaining this new look for our campus.

All trees for this project were provided by Casey Trees at no cost to Annunciation.









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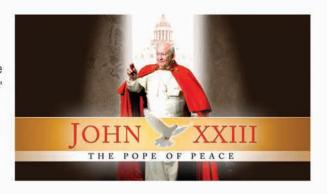
## PICK OF THE WEEK

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## WATCH

#### JOHN XXIII: THE POPE OF PEACE

This movie tells the whole life story of John XXIII from his youth through his young priesthood, episcopacy, life as cardinal, and eventually his life as Pope. Elected supposedly as an "interim Pope" who would just keep the status quo and listen to the advisers around him, John XXIII proved to be his own man when he surprised the Church and world by calling for the Second Vatican Council.



## LEARN

## DIVINE MERCY WITH FATHER MICHAEL GAITLEY EPISODE 6: FATIMA

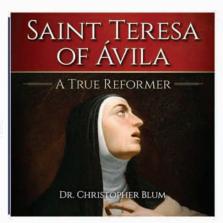


Renowned speaker and author Fr. Michael Gaitley tells the dramatic history of God's love and mercy in this 10-part series. Against the backdrop of a world engulfed in war, the prophetic drama surrounding a small town in Portugal captures the minds and hearts of believers and unbelievers alike. In this episode of learn about Pope Benedict XV and the apparitions at Fatima.

## LISTEN

#### SAINT TERESA OF ÁVILA: A TRUE REFORMER BY CHRISTOPHER BLUM

Dr. Christopher Blum unfolds the inspiring life of St. Teresa and her important role in the Catholic Reformation. After having already been a nun for twenty years, she had a radical transformation in her own life and then became one of the most powerful forces for bringing about conversion and positive change in the history of the Church. Listen and learn about this Mystic, Doctor of the Church, and True Reformer.



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**Gospel Today** 

Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time | Mark 10:17-30

Through the goodness of God we are blessed with eternal life when we follow the Commandments and love God more than earthly possessions.

Jesus said,

# "ALL THINGS ARE POSSIBLE FOR GOD."

Mark 10: 27

## BIBLE WORD SEARCH

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



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