### September 4, 2022

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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

Monday– Friday 8:00am

Wednesday 5:30pm

RECONCILIATION

Wednesday 6:00pm-6:45pm

Saturday 4:15pm-5:15pm

Or call the rectory for an appointment



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### TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Wisdom 9:13-18b

This reading acknowledges that people have had a difficult time attempting to know God's wishes. At times we have difficulty understanding the things that happen on earth. Therefore, learning of things in heaven would have been impossible, except that God sent us wisdom and the Holy Spirit to help us understand him.

#### SECOND READING: PHILEMON 9-10, 12-17

Paul writes to Philemon regarding Onesimus, a slave who ran away and encountered Paul. Although Paul wished Onesimus could remain with him, he did not want to violate Philemon's wishes. Paul asks that Philemon receives his friend Onesimus as a beloved brother, not as a slave. He closes by saying, "Welcome him as you would me."

#### GOSPEL: LUKE 14:25-33

Jesus warns people who wish to follow him that they must abandon everyone else first. A person calculates the amount of money needed to complete a project before they begin it. In the same way, Jesus warns these people to consider exactly what is involved before they make a commitment to follow him.

# PRAY WITH SCRIPTURE

Monday1 Cor 5:1-8; Lk 6:6-11Tuesday1 Cor 6:1-11; Lk 6:12-19Wednesday1 Cor 7:25-31; Lk 6:20-26

**Thursday** Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30; Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 or 1:18-23

**Friday** 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27; Lk 6:39-42

**Saturday** 1 Cor 10:14-22; Lk 6:43-49

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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 to meet members of the parish. Please let us know if so we can update our records. reception after Mass you are relocating

### 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.

# A MILLION ROSARIES

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.



#### A LABOR DAY PRAYER

As the sun rises to bring in the new day:

We remember those who descend into the earth, their work begins in darkness, pulling from the earth, the resources we steward.

We remember those who work inside a building away from the light and brightness of the day.

We remember those who work outside in the harsh elements of our world, the bitter cold and sweltering heat of extremes.

We remember those who do not have a job to go to, who are struggling to meet the needs of their daily living expenses, for whom the day becomes long and arduous.

As the sun sets to bring in the evening of rest:

We remember those who work in the night.

We remember those who are trying to recover from their labor and toils of the day.

We remember those who participate in unsafe and dangerous work.

We pray for a renewed sense of dignity in their lives and in their work.

God, in your goodness, you have made a home for the worker. Make a place in our hearts for compassion to the men and women who labor tirelessly for basic necessities. Ensure a place for the men and women who are struggling to find work. Grant us your wisdom to greet and care for those who are unable to work due to illness or circumstances that prevent their participation. Be with the children who are not able to run and play, but instead must put in a hard day's work to help their family afford to eat, to live. Be with us all, Christ Jesus, as we go about the busyness of our work. Hold us accountable not only for our actions, but most importantly to each of our neighbors. May we continue to work together to bring about your reign! We ask this in your holy name, through the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

# Homebound Hospitalized Parishioners

We depend on you to notify the us 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 would like to volunteer to take Holy Communion to your fellow parishioners, please contact Tina Lindberg at: 202-362-3323 or <a href="mailto:lindberg@annunciationdc.org">lindberg@annunciationdc.org</a>.

# HOLY HOUR FOR VOCATIONS & CONSECRATED RELIGIOUS LIFE

The Downtown Washington Serra Club will be conducting prayerful Holy Hours for Vocations and for those in Consecrated Religious Life on the first Wednesday of the month beginning September 7 at Annunciation Catholic Church, 3810 Massachusetts Ave., NW, Washington, 20016, from 6:00p.m. to 7:00p.m. A 5:30p.m. Mass will precede the Holy Hour.

Upcoming dates through 2022 are: September 7, October 5, November 2, and December 7. Please join us and invite your friends to join in this prayerful call to holiness and to pray for vocations.



Join us in praying the rosary every Thursday at noon in front of the Russian Embassy on the Wisconsin Avenue Side for peace and an end to the war in Ukraine.



Consider enrolling in eGiving through Faith Direct so that your gift can reach us even when you cannot.

Visit <u>www.faithdirect.net/DC43</u> or scan the QR code to donate electronically.



#### Poor Box

Donations for the month of September support the DC Food Project and Weekend Bag Program which provides weekend meals for students.

#### SAINT OF THE WEEK



### SAINT TERESA OF KOLKATA

1910-1997

#### Feast Day - 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.

### MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, September 4-Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Park Carole Srodes In Memory 10:00 a.m. Oberle June Villarreal In Memory 12:00 p.m. Park Parishioners Intentions

**Monday, September 5**–*Monday of the Twenty-Third Week in Ordinary Time* 8:00 a.m. Mellone Elvira Velasquez In Memory

**Tuesday, September 6**–*Tuesday of the Twenty-Third Week in Ordinary Time* 8:00 a.m. Park Mary Frances Sweet In Memory

Wednesday, September 7-Wednesday of the Twenty-Third Week in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Park Justino deLara  $\mathcal E$ 

Adelaida Benedictos In Memory

5:30pm Mellone Earl Irving In Memory

**Thursday, September 8**—*The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary* 

8:00 a.m. Marchese Joseph Murphy In Memory

Friday, September 9-Saint Peter Claver, Priest

8:00 a.m. Mellone Carole Srodes In Memory

Saturday, September 10–Saturday of the Twenty-Third Week in Ordinary Time 9:00 a.m. Mellone Msgr. James Montgomery In Memory 5:30 p.m. Park Msgr. James Montgomery In Memory

Sunday, September 11-Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m.ParkVocationsIntentions10:00 a.m.MelloneWilliam & Jeanne CassidyIn Memory12:00 p.m.MelloneParishionersIntentions

# 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.

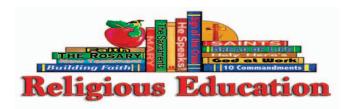
Never permit me to be separated from You.

Amen



# VIRTUAL SPIRITUAL RETREATS WITH SPIRITUAL DIRECTION

Our Lady of Bethesda Retreat Center is providing virtual retreats so that you can connect with others and feed your soul. Currently, these programs are being offered at no cost, and a suggested donation of only \$75 per person is greatly appreciated. Click on the link to find more information and upcoming dates. Visit <a href="https://ourladyofbethesda.org/programs/retreats/what-are-spiritual-exercises/virtual-spiritual-exercises-promo">https://ourladyofbethesda.org/programs/retreats/what-are-spiritual-exercises/virtual-spiritual-exercises-promo</a>.



#### IT'S TIME TO REGISTER!

Our faith is a lifelong process of formation and knowledge.

Online registration is now open for our 2022-2023 Catechetical Program year! Register your 1-8 grade child(ren) today.

Religious Education sessions will begin on Wednesday, September 14 at 7pm with opening celebration at Church.

Scan the Code to complete registration.

Contact Andreja Mezek at 202.362.3323 ext 13 or <a href="mezek@annunciationdc.org">mezek@annunciationdc.org</a> for information.



### **RCIA**

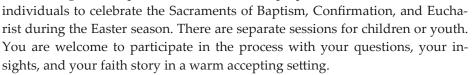
# ARE YOU SOMEONE OR DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO...

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



For information, please contact Andreja Mezek at 202-362-3323 or <a href="mailto:mezek@annunciationdc.org">mezek@annunciationdc.org</a>.



# St Louis de France Catholic Church Charity Fair

Sunday, October 2nd, 2022
11:30am - 4pm
(Mass in French at 10:30 am)
French food ( quiches, cakes ,
'petits fours", ... ) on site and to
take out
French second hand books
for all ages
Brand new French religious
books (bible...)
Toys & Games for kids
Flea Market
Activities and Games for kids

Metro Friendship Heights (Red Line) 4125 Garrison St NW Washington DC 20016

# THIS WEEK ...

Sunday, September 4 CLOW 10:00am (PC)

**Monday, September 5** Labor Day (Office Closed)

Wednesday, September 7 Mass 5:30pm (Church) Eucharistic Adoration 6:00pm (Church)

**Thursday, September 8**Contemplative Prayer
6:20pm (Zoom)

Saturday, September 10 Confession 4:15pm (Church)



# THE WORLD APOSTOLATE OF FATIMA

In honor of Our Lady of Fatima's third apparition, September 13, 1917, the World Apostolate of Fatima, Archdiocese of Washington Division "The Blue Army" invites you to Rosary, Mass, Confession, Divine Mercy Chaplet, and healing prayers on Tuesday, September 13 at 1:00pm in the Immaculate Heart of Mary Chapel, Basilica of the National Shrine, Michigan Ave, DC. For more information call 301-595-1770.

#### A Way To Help Yourself and Your Church

Having to take a distribution from your IRA this year? The IRA charitable distribution permits individuals who are 70 1/2 to gift up to \$100,000 from their IRA to charity free from federal income tax. If you are 72+ years old, then an IRA distribution may qualify for your required minimum distribution, permitting you to lower your income and taxes for this year while helping Annunciation Church or School. For more information or to make a contribution, please contact our business manager/accountant Patty Lovett at 202-331-9880 (office).

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# PICK OF THE WEEK

Sept 4, 2021

#### WATCH NETWORK OF FREEDOM

Set in France at the beginning of World War II, this inspiring film narrates the heroic work of Sister Helene Studler, the Daughter of Charity who saved the lives of thousands of French refugees by preventing them from becoming prisoners of the Nazi forces, or freeing those who were captured. Among those she saved were many illustrious characters including the future Prime Minister of France, François de Mitterrand.



# LEARN

#### FORMED NOW: THE NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

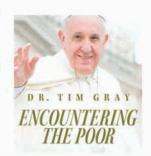


As we celebrate the birthday of the Blessed Virgin Mary this week, listen as Dr. Tim Gray and Dr. John Sehorn discuss the traditions surrounding Mary's life and how her life is a model of humility for Christians.

# LISTEN

# ENCOUNTERING THE POOR: BIBLICAL ROOTS FOR CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING BY TIM GRAY

Dr. Gray expounds upon the teachings of the Catholic Church surrounding social justice in light of Sacred Scripture. Discover how social justice in regards to the poor is not one small piece in the puzzle, but instead frames the entire mosaic of Scripture.



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# **Gospel Today**

Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time | Luke 14:25-33

Jesus said God should be #1 in the center of our lives. Followed by ourselves, family and friends.

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Jesus Knows life is not always easy.

MY CROSS

MY LIFE

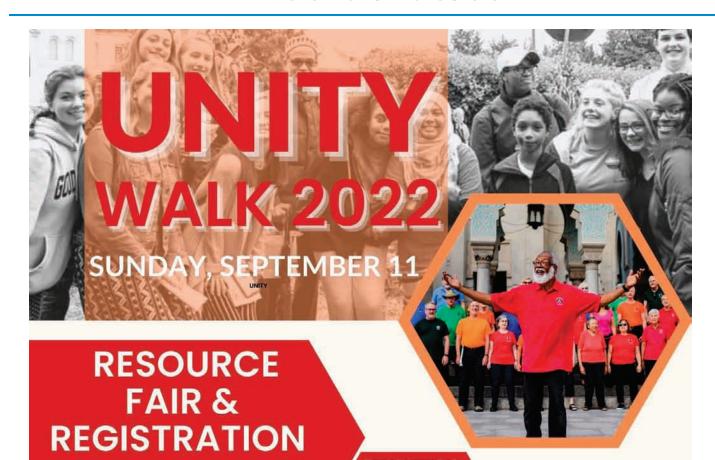
He will help us carry our cross. Just ask!

Decorate this cross with words or pictures which best describe your life each day. Remember everyone has challenges, but they are not all the same.

Cut on the dotted line and keep it as a reminder to pray and give thanks each day.

Examples of daily struggles... personal or family illness or disability, problems with family, school or neighbors... add your own.

Thank you, God, for...
good times, loving and
healthy family members,
fun with family, school &
neighbors, good friends
and favorite pets... add
your own.



1:30-2:15PM

# **JOIN US!**

IFC's annual Unity Walk is a public demonstration of love and support for all who live in our region. Walk with participants of all ages to visit 11 different houses of worship and spiritual centers in upper Northwest DC to learn about and experience diverse faith traditions. There will be new opportunities to engage through moderated mini-dialogues, hands-on family activities, comedy, music, and sharing of tasty cultural treats. Come by yourself or bring friends to celebrate the wonderful diversity that exists in our region!

PROGRAM 2:15-6PM



# Starting Wednesday evenings on September 14 @ Annunciation parish



TO WOMEN

Study Guide to John Paul II's Letter Addressing Women



Are you interested in learning more about God's love for you, His call, and plan for your life? Join a study with fellow women on St. John Paul II's Letter to Women using Endow's study guide.

Sessions will be held Wednesday evenings at Annunciation from 7-8:30 pm starting September 14.

Questions/more info contact: Tina Lindberg, lindberg@annunciationdc.org



# Come as you are.

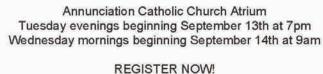
# YOU ARE WELCOME HERE

# Make authentic connections with other women Refuel and refresh | Learn more about God

#### Opening Your Heart: The Starting Point

This study explores the fundamental questions of our Catholic faith and our relationship with Jesus Christ. Join us as we examine the core questions that we need to wrestle with if we want to experience all that God has for us.

- · How do I get my priorities in order?
- I've been going through the motions in my spiritual life—how does it relate to my day-to-day life?
- · How do I get to know Christ in a personal way?



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