

November 22, 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

## EUCCHARISTIC 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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## OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

### FIRST READING: EZEKIEL 34:11-12, 15-17

This passage beautifully describes how the Lord God, as shepherd, will tend his flock. He will rescue those who are lost, bring back those who stray, heal the sick, and “pasture” all.

### SECOND READING: 1 CORINTHIANS 15:20-26, 28

Paul once again stresses the significance of Christ’s resurrection in the total divine plan, emphasizing that Christ’s rising means that those who believe in him will also rise after death. Christianity, he argues, is meaningless if it concerns only this life on earth. In the end, even death will be destroyed, and “God will be all in all.”

### GOSPEL: MATTHEW 25:31-46

With words both poetic and vivid, Jesus tells the disciples that since he is present in all people, whatever they do to “one of my least brothers” they do to him; and whatever they fail to do to his “least,” they fail to do to him.

## PRAY WITH SCRIPTURE

Monday	Rv 14:1-3, 4b-5; Lk 21:1-4
Tuesday	Rv 14:14-19; Lk 21:5-11
Wednesday	Rv 15:1-4; Lk 21:12-19
Thursday	Rv 18:1-2, 21-23, 19:1-3, 9a; Lk 21:20-28 or, for Thanksgiving Day, any readings from the <i>Lectionary For Mass</i> (vol. IV), the Mass “In Thanksgiving to God’, nos. 943-947
Friday	Rv 20:1-4, 11 – 21:2; Lk 21:29-33
Saturday	Rv 22:1-7; Lk 21:34-36

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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](http://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](http://www.annunciationdc.org). Please be sure to add [mail@flocknote.com](mailto: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](http://catholiccharitiesdc.org/volunteer).

## PASTOR'S CORNER

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

Thanksgiving Day is Thursday, November 26th. We will have one Mass at 9 AM. Please sign up through Flocknotes or call the parish office. You will have the opportunity to express to all who are gathered what you are thankful for at this time in your life. If you are not able to attend, we will stream this Mass on our Youtube Channel, *Annunciation Catholic Church DC*. Please make some time during the day to give praise and thanks to God for His blessings.



Last week the long awaited report on the former Cardinal Archbishop of Washington, Theodore McCarrick was published, 449 pages. I have read most of it and am lifting up in prayer the victims and their families who have suffered such pain due to this man's sins, crimes and failings. So many people near and far have experienced righteous anger, disgust and disillusionment not only of this former priest but with the Church as a whole. So many church officials failed to act in just and right ways. A great deal of confession, contrition, and repentance by many priests and bishops needs to be placed before our Lord and Savior. Jesus knew the power of Satan would fight against His church, but He also knew that God's power is so much stronger than the Prince of Lies. It will take some time for healing to occur and like a grave injury there will be scars and repercussions for years to come. Please pray for the victims of abuse, and the church of Jesus Christ.

Our Archbishop is already in Rome to receive the honor and responsibility of becoming a Cardinal on November 28, 2020. He is the first African American Bishop in the United States to be so designated. He will be called upon to give advice to Pope Francis as well as elect a new pope when needed. Please pray for our Cardinal-designate for wisdom, courage and understanding as he assumes this role in the Catholic Church. We have made a contribution of \$500 in Cardinal Gregory's name to Catholic Charities in Washington DC which serves the poor of our Archdiocese.

Please be as safe as possible during the upcoming weeks and pray for wisdom in all the activities in which you choose to participate.

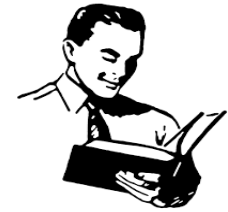
Have a blessed Thanksgiving,  
Fr. Mike

## CHRISTMAS TREES

Help support Annunciation Catholic Church by purchasing a Christmas tree from Dan & Bryan on our grounds on Massachusetts Avenue. Trees will be available November 28th until Saturday, December 20th or until they sell out from 10am-9pm weekdays and 9am-9pm weekends. Cash, checks and credit cards are accepted.



## 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](mailto: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](http://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. CATHERINE OF ALEXANDRIA

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Feast Day – November 25

Catherine is thought to have been born to a noble family in Alexandria, Egypt. Through a vision, this scholarly young woman converted to Christianity and began evangelizing others, including the wife of the pagan emperor who was persecuting Christians. According to legend, after she defied the emperor and refuted philosophers brought in to test her faith, she was imprisoned and tortured. She was put on a rotating spiked wheel; when it broke, she was beheaded. She is venerated as the Great Martyr St. Catherine in the Orthodox tradition and her voice was among those heard by St. Joan of Arc. She is the patron saint of wheelwrights, and also a patron of jurists, philosophers, unmarried girls, students and teachers.

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## MASS INTENTIONS

**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

**Monday, November 23** – *Saint Clement I, Pope, Martyr; Saint Columban, Abbot; Blessed Miguel Agustin Pro, Priest, Martyr*

8:00 a.m.	Mellone	All Souls	In Memory
11:00 a.m.	Mellone	Msgr. V. James Lockman	In Memory

**Tuesday, November 24** – *Saint Andrew Dũng-Lạc, Priest, Martyr, and Companions, Martyrs*

8:00 a.m.	Mellone	All Souls	In Memory
11:00 a.m.	Mellone	William & Jeanne Cassidy	In Memory

**Wednesday, November 25** – *Saint Catherine of Alexandria, Virgin, Martyr*

8:00 a.m.	Mellone	All Souls	In Memory
11:00 a.m.	Mellone	Croatian American Prayer Group	Intentions

**Thursday, November 26** – *Thursday of the Thirty Fourth Week in Ordinary Time*

9:00 a.m.	Mellone	All Souls	In Memory
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**Friday, November 27** – *Friday of the Thirty Fourth Week in Ordinary Time*

8:00 a.m.	Marchese	The Taylor Family	In Memory
11:00 a.m.	Mellone	All Souls	In Memory

**Saturday, November 28** – *Saturday of the Thirty Fourth Week in Ordinary Time*

9:00 a.m.	Mellone	All Souls	In Memory
5:30 p.m.	Mellone	Bernardo & Elvira Velasquez	In Memory

**Sunday, November 29** – *First Sunday of Advent*

8:00 a.m.	Mellone	Parishioners	Intentions
10:00 a.m.	SOSJ	Martin Wanick	In Memory
12:00 p.m.	Mellone	Louise Lee Macek	In Memory

## 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



## CHRISTMAS PROJECT 2020

The Annunciation Christmas Project will benefit our sister parish Holy Redeemer, and Friendship Place. Parishioners are invited to participate by donating gift cards from: TARGET or WALMART, or Visa.

Donations may be made through our website, [www.annunciationdc.org](http://www.annunciationdc.org). Gift cards or monetary contributions can be sent to the parish office or placed in the collection baskets in an envelope marked Christmas Project. Checks should be payable to Annunciation Church indicating "Christmas Project" in the memo line. DONATIONS DEADLINE – SUNDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2020. Thank you for your generous support.



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## ADVENT REFLECTIONS FROM SOCIETY OF THE HOLY CHILD JESUS

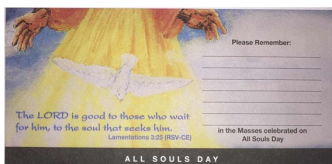
In lieu of our annual Advent Open House event, the Sisters of the Holy Child Jesus and Holy Child Associates invite you to join us for our virtual Advent Reflections. This four-part series of 90-second video meditations features images of the Sisters' Nativity collection. The videos provide an opportunity 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/](http://www.shcj.org/american/175th-anniversary/2020-advent-season/)

For more information, contact Joanna Pelizzoni at 610-626-1400 x315 or [jpelizzoni@shcj.org](mailto:jpelizzoni@shcj.org).

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## 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 22**  
CLOW – 10:00am (Zoom)  
Faith Fun – 10:30am (Zoom)

**Wednesday, November 25**  
Confession – 11:30am (Church)

**Thursday, November 26**  
Mass – 9:00am (Church)  
Office Closed

**Saturday, November 28**  
Mass – 9:00am (Church)  
Baptism  
10:30am (Church)  
Confession  
4:15pm – 5:15pm (Chapel)  
Mass – 5:30pm (Church)

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## 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 communal 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](mailto: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.



## 2020 CHRISTMAS BAZAAR DONATIONS

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](mailto:lindberg@annunciationdc.org). Thank you for your understanding and patience.

## 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>.



## CHRISTMAS ALTAR DONATION FUND

The adornment of our Church with poinsettias, greens and trees ....gifts 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 Donation 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.

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## Gospel Today

Year A

### Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe | Matthew 25:31-46

Jesus tells His disciples, the Son of Man will come in His glory and sit upon His throne. He will bless, from all the nations, every person who gave drink to the thirsty, something to eat to the hungry and paid a visit to the ill. The Kingdom of Heaven will be theirs.

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One Kingdom  
One King

Christ the King said in reply,  
“Amen, I say to you, whatever  
you did for one of these least  
brothers of mine, you did for  
me.”

Matthew 25:40

## BIBLE WORD SEARCH

Find the underlined words in the block puzzle by coloring them all gold...  
left, right, up, down or diagonally. Then color the ✧ stars ✧ all different jewel colors.

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Answer: 4 & 8

Only 2 crowns are exactly the same!

Circle the matching crowns...

