

February 14, 2021

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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

Wednesday
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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SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FIRST READING: LEVITICUS 13:1-2, 44-46

The Lord tells Moses and Aaron that anyone bearing the sore of leprosy must first be seen by Aaron or one of the other priests, and that as long as the sore is upon him, "He shall dwell apart, making his abode outside the camp."

SECOND READING: 1 CORINTHIANS 10:31–11:1

Paul instructs the Corinthians to do everything for the glory of God, to avoid offending others, and to be imitators of Christ.

GOSPEL: MARK 1:40-45

Jesus takes pity on a leper and cures him of his disease with a warning not to say but to show himself to the priest and make an offering. Instead of remaining silent, the leper greatly publicized the healing, making it impossible for Jesus to enter the town openly.

PRAY WITH SCRIPTURE

Monday	Gn 4:1-15, 25; Mk 8:11-13
Tuesday	Gn 6:5-8, 7:1-5, 10; Mk 8:14-21
Wednesday	Jl 2:12-18; 2 Cor 5:20-6:2; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
Thursday	Dt 30:15-20; Lk 9:22-25
Friday	Is 58:1-9a; Mt 9:14-15
Saturday	Is 58:9b-14; Lk 5:27-32

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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://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.

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,

The Penitential Season of Lent is nearly upon us. Ash Wednesday is February 17th. We will have Mass with the distribution of Ashes at 8:00am and 11:00am and 7:00pm. This year, in light of the directives from Rome, we will sprinkle ashes on the top of each individual's head. We will not be placing a cross on your forehead. The formula, "Repent and believe in the Gospel or Remember you are dust and to dust you shall return," will only be said one time for the entire community at each Mass. These few days before Lent begins are a good time to reflect on how we will prepare ourselves and live out these Forty Days. Prayer, Fasting and Almsgiving are the three main actions that we do to prepare ourselves for the Solemnity of the Lord's Resurrection.



We will have daily Mass at 8:00am and 11:00am, Monday through Friday, 9:00am on Saturday, Saturday evening Mass for Sunday is at 5:30pm and Sunday at 8:00am, 10:00am, and 12:00pm on Sunday. The Sacrament of Confession will be Wednesdays from 11:30am to 12:30pm and 6:30pm to 7:30pm and Saturday 4:15pm to 5:15pm. Stations of the Cross will be Fridays at 7:00pm.

For members of the Latin (Roman) Catholic Church, the norms on fasting are obligatory from age 18 until age 59. When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal. The norms concerning abstinence from meat are binding upon members of the Latin Catholic Church from age 14 onwards. There are many opportunities to fast on other days in Lent in addition to Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Lent is a season to make sacrifices and penitential acts.

I hope many of you are taking the opportunity to receive the Covid vaccine. If you need assistance, we at the parish office may be available to assist you. Please let us know. Most of our staff will have received their first vaccination shot by the end of the week.

Finally, thank you to all who made a contribution to the 2021 Annual Appeal. Materials and information will be available in the vestibule of the Church if you are in need of such. You will be receiving a mailing from us through the Archdiocese of Washington. Please make a sacrificial pledge to assist your brothers and sisters in need.

May you always know and experience the love of God for you, especially on Saint Valentine's Day through the love of others.

God's Peace,
Fr. Mike



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>.



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 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.

SAINTS OF THE WEEK

BLESSED FRANCISCO
& JACINTA MARTO

20th century

FEAST FEBRUARY 20

Two of the three Fatima visionaries, this sister and brother were beatified in 2000. With their cousin, Lucia dos Santos, they had monthly visions of Mary at Fatima, Portugal, from May to October 1917. Mary asked the shepherd children to promote devotion to her Immaculate Heart and pray the rosary daily. Both Martos died of influenza, Francisco at age 10 in 1919, and Jacinta at age 9 in 1920. Their cousin, who became a Carmelite nun, died in 2005 at age 97. Fatima is among the world's great Marian shrines and pilgrimage sites.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, February 14 – *Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8:00 a.m.	Mellone	Fran Freeman	In Memory
10:00 a.m.	SOSJ	Parishioners	Intentions
12:00 p.m.	Mellone	Joyce K. Lynam	In Memory

Monday, February 15 – *Monday of the Sixth Week in Ordinary Time*

8:00 a.m.	Mellone		
11:00 a.m.	Mellone		

Tuesday, February 16 – *Tuesday of the Sixth Week in Ordinary Time*

8:00 a.m.	Mellone		
11:00 a.m.	Mellone	Sister Virginia Dunn	In Memory

Wednesday, February 17 – *Ash Wednesday*

8:00 a.m.	Sands	Carla Rockelli	In Memory
11:00 a.m.	Mellone	Nikola Stanic	In Memory
7:00 p.m.	Mellone		

Thursday, February 18 – *Thursday after Ash Wednesday*

8:00 a.m.	Marchese		
11:00 a.m.	Mellone	The Rukavina Family	In Memory

Friday, February 19 – *Friday after Ash Wednesday*

8:00 a.m.	Marchese	Dick Coffman	In Memory
11:00 a.m.	Mellone	Creusa daSilva	In Memory

Saturday, February 20 – *Saturday after Ash Wednesday*

9:00 a.m.	Mellone		
5:30 p.m.	Mellone	Keith Armistead	In Memory

Sunday, February 21 – *First Sunday of Lent*

8:00 a.m.	SOSJ		
10:00 a.m.	Mellone	Parishioners	Intentions
12:00 p.m.	Sands		

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



SHARE THE LOVE FOOD DRIVE

NEW DATE! **Sunday, February 28, 2021** **NEW DATE!**
10am till 2pm

Drop your items off at the Annunciation upper parking lot.
 Enter and exit on Massachusetts Ave NW.
*We will practice social distancing, and all of our
 volunteers will wear masks and gloves.*



Items Needed:

Canned Tuna or Chicken
Dry Cereal (Cheerios, Bran Flakes)
Canned Vegetables (Green Beans, Peas, Corn)
Soup (Hearty varieties are best)
Canned Fruit (any kind)
Peanut Butter and Jelly (Plastic containers please!)
Baked Beans (cans) and Rice (any size)
Pasta and Pasta Sauce (Plastic containers please!)
Grocery Gift Cards welcome!

Benefits Inner City Washington Food Pantries at
 St. Thomas More, St. Vincent de Paul, Holy Name, and
 St. Luke through the John S. Mulholland Family Foundation

Thank you for your generosity!

2021 ANNUAL APPEAL

The 2021 Annual Appeal is here! This year's theme is *Seeking Christ* to remind us in this time of hardship and need that Christ is the one, true source of the healing, unity, and love that we all seek. Through our collective support of the Annual Appeal, we strengthen the Body of Christ that is our local Church, and we sustain her many charitable works that serve the spiritual and other needs of all those within and beyond our parish boundaries. Your gift will also be credited towards our parish goal. Learn more about the Annual Appeal at appeal.adw.org.



THIS WEEK ...

Sunday, February 14

CLOW—10:00am (Zoom)
 Faith Fun — 10:30am (Zoom)

Monday, February 15

Religious Ed/Grade 1
 3:30pm (Zoom)
 Religious Ed/Grade 2
 4:00pm (Zoom)

Tuesday, February 16

Bible Study—1:00pm (Zoom)
 Religious Ed/Grade 3
 3:30pm (Zoom)
 Religious Ed/Grades 5 & 6
 4:00pm (Zoom)

Wednesday, February 17

Ash Wednesday Masses
 8:00am, 11:00am & 7:00pm
 Confession— 11:30am (Church)
 Eucharistic Adoration
 11:30am—1:30pm (Church)
 Religious Ed/Grade 4
 3:30pm (Zoom)
 Religious Ed/CP 1 & CP 2
 4:00pm (Zoom)
 Bible Study—7:00pm (Zoom)

Thursday, February 18

Contemplative Prayer
 6:20pm (Zoom)

Friday, February 19

Divine Mercy Chaplet
 3:00pm (Zoom)
 Stations of the Cross
 7:00pm (Church)

Saturday, February 20

Mass—9:00am (Church)
 First Reconciliation Retreat
 10:00am (Zoom)
 Confession
 4:15pm—5:15pm (Chapel)
 Mass — 5:30pm (Church)

2021 LENT SCHEDULE

Ash Wednesday

February 17, 2021

Masses at 8am, 11am & 7pm
(*Eucharistic Adoration and Confessions
from 11:30am to 1:30pm*)

Divine Mercy Chaplet

Fridays, February 19 thru March 26
(3:00pm) Zoom

Stations of the Cross

Fridays, February 19 thru March 26
(7:00pm)

The Light is on For You

Wednesdays – February 24 thru
March 31

Eucharistic Adoration (11:30am –
1:30pm)

Confessions (11:30am – 12:30pm and
6:30pm – 7:30pm)

Confessions Saturday (4:15pm to
5:15pm)

Holy Thursday, April 1

(No 8am or 11am Mass)

Morning Prayer (9:00am)

Confession (9:30am to 10:30am)

Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7:00pm

Good Friday, April 2

(No 8am or 11am Mass)

Morning Prayer (9:00am)

Confessions (9:30am to 10:30 am)

Stations of the Cross at 3:00pm

Confessions at 3:30pm – 5:00pm

Passion of the Lord at 7:00pm

Holy Saturday, April 3

(No 9am or 5:30pm Mass)

Morning Prayer (9:00am)

Confessions (9:30 to 10:30)

Easter Vigil at 8:00pm

Easter Sunday

Masses at 8:00am, 10:00am & 12:00pm

PRAY FOR OUR SEMINARIANS

Please take a moment today to stop by the “Vocations Tree” in the church foyer, where you’ll see cards for each of the seminarians of the Archdiocese of Washington. Choose one or more cards and pray for that seminarian each day during Lent. You can also choose a seminarian online at our “Virtual Vocations Tree.” Go to <https://dcpriest.org/vocations-tree-project-1> or www.saintjohnneumann.org/vocations-tree and download the card of the seminarian of your choice for printing at home. Make it a beautiful offering to the Lord this Lent to pray for those whom He calls to give their lives in service of His Church in our archdiocese.



2021 SCHOLARSHIP COMPETITION FOR EIGHTH (8th) GRADE STUDENTS

The Lucinda L. Jasper Scholarship Fund, Inc. (LLJSF) announces The 2021 Lucinda L. Jasper 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.

The Lucinda L. Jasper Scholarship Competition officially opens January 21, 2021.

Interested students can apply online at <http://www.lljsf.org/>. Visit the website, <http://www.lljsf.org/>, to find the application packet which contains the application form, school report, teacher recommendation, the criteria, and details for 1500-2500 word essay on January 21, 2021.

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. **All materials (application form, essay, school report and recommendations) must be successfully submitted online no later than 11:59 pm March 31, 2021.**

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.

2021 CHRISTMAS BAZAAR DONATIONS

Now accepting donations of the following for the 2021 Christmas Bazaar and the NEW Online Curiosity Shoppe: *Jewelry, Antique Treasures, Christmas Decorations, Home and Kitchen Items, Scarves and Handbags, Toys and Sporting Goods*



Please—No Books, CDs, DVDs, or Clothing!

Please contact Tina Lindberg at lindberg@annunciationdc.org or 202-362-3323 x15 to schedule an appointment.

< KID'S > KORNER

Gospel Today

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time | Mark 1:40-45

Jesus cured the leper, a man with a skin disease, with a touch of His hand.

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When the leper was healed, Jesus said, "Don't tell this to anyone." Jesus trusted the man to go quietly to the priest, but instead he ran off telling everyone he was cured. He did NOT keep it a secret (he was very excited). As a result, Jesus could no longer enter a town openly, but stayed in lonely places. Still, people kept coming to Him from everywhere. **Jesus gave the leper new life...**

LENT begins
this week...

Give us New Life, O Lord.

Dear Jesus... I have sinned, I am sorry, let's begin again. Love, _____
your name



SHROVE TUESDAY

also known as... FAT TUESDAY = MARDI GRAS = PANCAKE DAY

It is a tradition to eat pancakes on Shrove Tuesday. Shrove comes from the word "shrive", meaning to confess, or tell God we are sorry for our sins. Pancakes use up food items that were not permitted during Lent in the Middle Ages - milk, eggs, fat, butter and meat. Lent begins tomorrow - Let's eat pancakes today!

ASH Wednesday

The ashes on my forehead say,
"I have sinned, I am sorry. Please
God, help me change, make me a
new person."

Homemade Pancakes



SIFT	MIX IN
1 1/4 cup flour	1 beaten egg
3 teaspoons baking powder	1 cup milk
2 tablespoons sugar	2 tablespoons vegetable oil
1/2 teaspoon salt	

Cook on greased, hot skillet. Flip when bubbles appear and pop. Makes 8, 4" pancakes — Serving with butter, syrup, fruit or meat is optional.