

February 23, 2020

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## MASS SCHEDULE

### 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

## EUCCHARISTIC 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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## THE SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### FIRST READING: LEVITICUS 19:1-2, 17-18

The Lord urges Moses to tell the Israelite Community to love their neighbors as themselves. They should bear no grudge or hatred against another.

### SECOND READING: 1 CORINTHIANS 3:16-23

Paul, once again, reminds the Corinthians that they are the temple of God, and, as such, must avoid internal disputes and wrangling. He tries to make them realize that they belong to Christ and that the Spirit of God dwells within them.

### GOSPEL: MATTHEW 5:38-48

In this part of the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus exhorts his followers to do an extraordinary thing — to love their enemies and to pray for their oppressors. He reminds them that there is nothing laudatory in loving those who love them for even the “pagans” do this. He urges them to “turn the other cheek” and to “walk the extra mile.”

## PRAY WITH SCRIPTURE

<b>Monday</b>	Jas 3:13-18; Mk 9:14-29
<b>Tuesday</b>	Jas 4:1-10; Mk 9:30-37
<b>Wednesday</b>	Jl 2:12-18; 2 Cor 5:20@6:2; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
<b>Thursday</b>	Dt 30:15-20; Lk 9:22-25
<b>Friday</b>	Is 58:1-9a; Mt 9:14-15
<b>Saturday</b>	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](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,

You may have heard it said, "I am only human." Often times it is used as an excuse or a half-hearted apology for doing what was known as wrong. When we do this we forget that we who are baptized are also filled with divine grace. We are more than merely human. We read in the Book of Leviticus, "Be holy, for I, the Lord, your God am holy." We can only be holy through the gifts of God. He has chosen us. The command to love our neighbor is rooted in the fact that the Lord has first loved us. St. Matthew gives us the words of Jesus from the Sermon on the Mount that we are to be more than like everyone else. "So be perfect, just as your heavenly Father is perfect." The Lord God is ever-faithful to us; He is committed to our well-being, but not just for us but for all people. When we seek revenge or treat one another with hatred we go against the will of God. This may be the most difficult of the Lord's commands, "love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, that you may be children of your heavenly Father."



We are on the verge of the season of Lent; a time to turn to the Lord with all our hearts. It is the time to implore the Lord to give us the grace to follow His ways and to be truly holy. February 26<sup>th</sup> is Ash Wednesday. It begins the season of repentance and renewal. Please participate in all the activities that are scheduled throughout this Holy Time so we may participate in the greatest event in human history, the Resurrection.

God's Peace,

Fr. Mike

## VOCATIONS TREE

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. Please choose one or more cards and pray for that seminarian each day during Lent. 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.



## RETREAT FOR GRIEVING PARENTS

Parents who are grieving the loss of a child, no matter how old the child is or how long ago the child died, are invited to a retreat for grieving parents on Saturday, March 14, 2020, at St. Joseph Parish in Beltsville, MD. The retreat is open to any parent who has lost a child. To register, please go to the following link: <https://grievingparentretreat.eventbrite.com> For more information call the Office for Family Life at 301-853-4499 or email [ferrando-bowlingc@adw.org](mailto:ferrando-bowlingc@adw.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.

### SECOND COLLECTION

February 26

Ash Wednesday/Social Concerns

March 1

Annunciation School

### 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.

This week's bulletin is made possible by our sponsor

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## SAINT OF THE WEEK

OSWALD OF  
WORCESTER

died 992

## FEAST FEBRUARY 28

Descended from a Danish military family, Oswald was educated by an uncle who was the archbishop of Canterbury, in England. He was a canon at Winchester Cathedral before becoming a priest and dean there. After continuing his studies and becoming a Benedictine in France, he returned to England and was named bishop of Worcester in 961. He founded monasteries, promoted scholarship, established a great musical tradition in Worcester, replaced secular canons with monks, and also administered the Diocese of York from 972 until his death. Devoted to the poor and revered for his sanctity, Oswald died after washing and kissing the feet of 12 poor men, his annual Lenten custom.

## MASS INTENTIONS

**Sunday, February 23**—*Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time*

7:30 a.m.	Berard	Parishioners	Intentions
9:00 a.m.	Berard	Wolfgang Ritschel	In Memory
10:30 a.m.	Mellone	Patricia Draddy	In Memory
12:30 p.m.	Mellone	Catherine Gleason Powers	In Memory

**Monday, February 24**—*Monday of the Seventh Week in Ordinary Time*

8:00 a.m.	Mellone	César Falla	In Memory
11:00 a.m.	Berard	Francisco Matus	In Memory

**Tuesday, February 25**—*Tuesday of the Seventh Week in Ordinary Time*

8:00 a.m.	Berard	Mary Pasciutti	In Memory
11:00 a.m.	Mellone	William & Jeanne Cassidy	In Memory

**Wednesday, February 26**—*Ash Wednesday*

8:00 a.m.	Berard	Forgotten Souls in Purgatory	In Memory
11:00 a.m.	Mellone	Andrea Clune	In Memory
7:00 p.m.	Berard	Roger & Gwendolyn Rivers	Intentions

**Thursday, February 27**—*Thursday after Ash Wednesday*

8:00 a.m.	Marchese	Marjorie FitzGibbon	In Memory
11:00 a.m.	Mellone	Pat Frohman	In Memory

**Friday, February 28**—*Friday after Ash Wednesday*

8:00 a.m.	Marchese	Terry Rothman	In Memory
11:00 a.m.	Mellone	Henri Ulrich	In Memory

**Saturday, February 29**—*Saturday after Ash Wednesday*

9:00 a.m.	Berard	Juan Luis Garcia Tunon	In Memory
5:30 p.m.	Mellone	Nathan Zahedi	In Memory

**Sunday, March 1**—*First Sunday of Lent*

7:30 a.m.	Mellone	Margarita Añez Ariza	In Memory
9:00 a.m.	Mellone	Parishioners	Intentions
10:30 a.m.	Berard	Antonio Caetano Candida	
		Jesús Cameira	In Memory
12:30 p.m.	Berard	Zelia Moutinho Santos	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](mailto:lindberg@annunciationdc.org). Weekly Eucharist, prayer, fellowship, and sharing news from Annunciation keeps us all in communion as the Body of Christ.

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



## PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND!

Join us in the footsteps of Jesus, October 18 to 27, 2020. We will visit many biblical holy places on this trip including: Nazareth, Cana, Galilee, Jerusalem, Bethlehem, Gethsemane, Holy Sepulchre, the Jordan River, Dead Sea and more! Fr. Rob Maro and Fr. Michal Sajnog will be joining us to provide Mass, confession and spiritual direction. The cost of this trip based on double occupancy is only \$3,855.00. Please contact Bread of Life Center for Peace for the full itinerary and trip details at (301) 475-7139 or visit our website [www.breadoflifecenterforpeace.org](http://www.breadoflifecenterforpeace.org) and click on the Holy Land Pilgrimage button at the top right. This trip will fill up fast, so don't wait to register!



### Ash Wednesday, February 26

Masses — 8:00am, 11:00am & 7:00pm  
(No Eucharistic Adoration or Confessions)

### Stations of the Cross

Fridays — February 28 thru April 3  
7:00pm

### The Light is on For You

Wednesdays — March 4 thru April 8  
Eucharistic Adoration  
11:30am — 8:00pm

### Confessions

11:30am — 12:30pm  
7:00pm — 8:00pm

### Living Stations

Friday, March 6 — 7:00pm

### Lenten Dinner

Friday, March 6 — 7:30pm

### Parish Mission

March 23 – 25 — 7:00pm

### Holy Thursday, April 9

Morning Prayer — 9:00am  
(No 8am or 11am Mass)  
Mass of the Lord's Supper — 7:30pm

### Good Friday, April 10

Morning Prayer — 9:00am  
(No 8am or 11am Mass)  
Stations of the Cross — 3:00pm  
Confessions at 3:30pm — 5:00pm  
Passion of the Lord — 7:30pm

### Holy Saturday, April 11

Morning Prayer — 9:00am  
(No 9am or 5:30pm Mass)  
Confessions at 11:00am — 12:30pm  
Easter Vigil — 8:00pm

### Easter Sunday, April 12

Masses — 7:30am, 9:00am, 10:30am & 12:30pm  
Easter Egg Hunt — 10:00am

## LOURDES ANOINTING MASS

The Federal Association of the Order of Malta cordially invites the sick, disabled, and elderly of the Archdiocese to receive the Sacrament of Anointing at a Lourdes Anointing Mass on Saturday, March 7, 2020 at 10:00 AM at Our Lady of Mercy Church in Potomac. Our Lady of Mercy is completely accessible and there is plenty of free parking. Members of the Order of Malta will be present to help people throughout the morning.

There will be an anointing and a blessing with Lourdes water for the sick, disabled and the elderly in attendance.

Family, friends, and caregivers are invited. A light luncheon reception will be offered to everyone after Mass in the Parish Hall. There is no charge for the day. If you have any questions, please contact: Joan Glasgow (301) 807-7500 or email her at [glasgow778@gmail.com](mailto:glasgow778@gmail.com).



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## 40 DAYS — 40 ITEMS CHALLENGE

Wednesday, February 26th, is the first day of Lent. Each day of Lent remove one item from your closet that you no longer wear or need and put it into a bag provided for you. Bring the filled bag back to church at the end of the forty days, the weekend of April 18-19, 2020. We will donate these items to someone who can really use them! Bags will be available the weekend of February 15th through Ash Wednesday, February 26th. Contact Tina Lindberg, [lindberg@annunciationdc.org](mailto:lindberg@annunciationdc.org) or 202-362-3323 with any questions. **Please only items that are clean, free of stains/smells and in good condition.**

## 2020 CHRISTMAS BAZAAR DONATIONS

Cleaning up after Christmas? Making room for new things? Consider making a donation to the 2020 Christmas Bazaar! Drop your items off at the parish office, Tuesday-Friday from 10am-2pm. Many thanks!





## UPCOMING MEMORIAL SERVICES

March 7, 2020 — 1:00pm  
Gary Saltsman

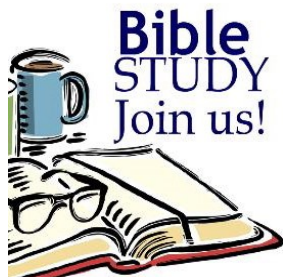


Thank you to all parishioners who made a gift to the Annual Appeal last weekend. We appreciate your support. If you did not have a chance to make your gift last weekend, or you needed more time to prayerfully consider your gift, pledge envelopes will again be available in the church this weekend, and completed envelopes can be placed in the offertory basket. You may also make your pledge online at [appeal.adw.org](http://appeal.adw.org).

No gift is too small and will support more than 60 ministries and programs benefitting countless women, men, children and families in the Church of Washington, including within our own parish and local community. As in every year, 100% of your contribution to the Annual Appeal will be designated to the ministries and programs supported by the Appeal. Thank you for your generous response.

## THE IGNATIAN VOLUNTEER CORPS

What will you do for your professional encore? If you are moving towards either a full or part time retirement and are thinking about what follows a long and successful career, consider meaningful service. The Ignatian Volunteer Corps (IVC) is a program established by the Jesuits that gives seasoned women and men over 50 an opportunity to share their experience with those in our Washington community in greatest need, while participating in a formation program rooted in Ignatian Spirituality. The commitment is part time and there are a number of rewarding service opportunities in the Metropolitan region. For more information on the IVC or to attend an informational session later in February, please contact Dan Kerns at [dkerns@ivcusa.org](mailto:dkerns@ivcusa.org) or by calling 202-415-4411.



Tuesdays  
after the 11:00am Mass  
in the Parish Center

## THIS WEEK ...

2/23	<b>Sunday</b>	CLOW 9:00am (PC) Faith Fun 9:30am (PC)
2/25	<b>Tuesday</b>	Bible Study 11:30am (PC) Friendship Place Congregation Meeting 7:00pm (PC)
2/26	<b>Wednesday</b>	Ash Wednesday Masses: 8:00am, 11:00am & 7:00pm No Eucharistic Adoration Children's Religious Ed 7:00pm (School & Church)
2/27	<b>Thursday</b>	Contemplative Prayer 6:25pm (Parlor) Permanent Diaconate Come & See 7:00pm (PC) Choir Rehearsal 7:30pm (Church)
2/28	<b>Friday</b>	Stations of the Cross 7:00pm (Church)

## ANNUNCIATION YOUNG ADULT EVENTS

Sign up for emails about Young Adult events on our website  
[www.annunciationdc.org](http://www.annunciationdc.org)

# < KID'S > KORNER

## Gospel Today Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time / Matthew 5:38-48

God offers **love**, **forgiveness**, and **compassion** for everyone, both good and bad. We are told to follow God's example and **offer more** than what it asked.

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*Give to the one who asks of you, and do not turn your back on one who wants to borrow.*

*Matthew 5:42*

1] Your neighbor's snow shovel just broke, and they ask to borrow yours.

- a] Say no, you need to use it. b] Let them borrow your shovel.  
c] Follow God's example - help your neighbor shovel the snow.

2] Your playdate accidentally spills some juice.

- a] Help clean it up. b] Help clean it up and offer more juice. c] Have them clean the spill themselves.

3] A classmate is cold and asks to borrow your sweater.

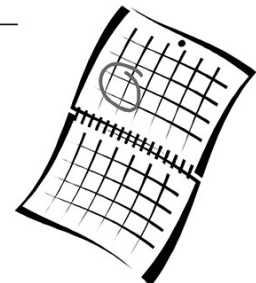
- a] Say no, you might get cold later. b] Let them wear it just to warm up.  
c] Let them wear it all day and return it another time, if they are still cold.

4] Due to a family emergency, your cousin needs to sleep at your house.

- a] Bring out 2 sleeping bags, 2 pillows, extra sleepwear and turn it into a sleepover party, telling funny family stories.  
b] Tell your cousin to sleep in their clothes.  
c] Give your cousin a sleeping bag, pillow and sleepwear, then go to sleep in your own bed.

5] Your best friend is moving and asks you to come visit before moving day.

- a] You go and say goodbye and quickly leave.  
b] You go and visit and spend the day helping your friend pack and share memories of the good times you've spent together.  
c] You ignore your friend and make other plans.



Always

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your time, talents & treasure,  
and give more than is asked.



Do your answers above best describe how God expects us to act? There is a bold, underlined letter in your answer for the 1-5 situations. Put that letter above in the matching space. Example - Situation #2 answer goes in the first space.