July 19, 2020

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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

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Cancelled until further notice

RECONCILIATION

Wednesday 11:30am-12:30pm

Saturday 4:15pm-5:15pm

Or call the rectory for an appointment



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SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Wisdom 12:13, 16-19

This passage from the Book of Wisdom addresses itself to God, giving praise and thanksgiving for his mercy.

SECOND READING: ROMANS 8:26-27

Paul indicates that since people are, in general, unaccustomed to the manner of praying, of speaking directly to God, the Holy Spirit will intercede for them.

GOSPEL: MATTHEW 13:24-43

According to Matthew, Jesus speaks of the "reign of God" in three parables: the man who soweth good seed, the mustard seed, and the yeast. In each parable, Jesus demonstrates that once the "reign of God" had been established, it grew and spread.

Pray with Scripture

Monday Mi 6:1-4, 6-8; Mt 12:38-42

Tuesday Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Mt 12:46-50

Wednesday Sg 3:1-4b or 2 Cor 5:14-17; Jn 20:1-2, 11-18

Thursday Jer 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13; Mt 13:10-17

Friday Jer 3:14-17; Mt 13:18-23 Saturday 2 Cor 4:7-15; Mt 20:20-28

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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,

Back in the early 1970s there was a TV show called the Flip Wilson Show. He created a character called Geraldine. That character's favorite line was, "The devil made me do it." I have held that the devil cannot make us do something we do not want to do. He may tempt us very severely to do wrong, but he cannot take away our free will. Have we ever asked ourselves, "Have I ever caused another to sin?" Here I would apply the same thought, "One cannot cause you to do something you do not want to do, but one surely can make it almost impossible for you to resist doing evil. Someone can threaten your life, livelihood, and those you love. Often though we are not faced with such choices. We are faced with doing something wrong by seeing it as a good. This happens in our relationships, our job opportunities, and our personal freedoms. We sometimes hold up as absolutes those things which are not. The love of God for us is an absolute. His desire to save us from sin is an absolute. He will allow us to experience suffering and pain. God the Father showed us this through the death of His only son.

In each of the three parables we hear in this Sunday's gospel we see a vision of what the Kingdom of God is like. The Kingdom exists alongside or in the midst of evil. That which is opposed to God's way. In the end, the Kingdom of God will triumph. The small mustard seed will grow to a plant 6 to 20 feet high and to a width of 20 feet. It will allow many birds to find shelter. It is a symbol that many people of various backgrounds will find a place in God's kingdom. My only experience with yeast is in the making of beer. In bread yeast causes the flour to rise and break down starch molecules into sugars and in beer it begins the fermentation process. A small amount of yeasts effects a large quantity of dough or liquid. The goodness of the Kingdom of God can spread and enhance the larger world that surrounds it. The Church, people of God, can be this leaven to a world that needs to see the presence of God.

If we recognize that we have led another into sin it is time to seek forgiveness and reconciliation. The Lord wants us to be one with Him and know the blessings of eternal life.

God's Peace,

Fr. Mike

UPCOMING VIRTUAL RETREAT

Our Lady of Bethesda Retreat Center is pleased to offer Ignatian Spiritual Exercises with a Spiritual Direction for women in an on-line format July 23-30, 2020. While unconventional, they whole-heartedly believe that a virtual retreat is better than no retreat at all. With that said, they want to make this process as simple as possible for you. The minimum contribution is \$225. To register, visit https://ourladyofbethesda.org/programs/retreats/what-are-spiritual-exercises/virtual-spiritual-exercises-promo.



THIS WEEK ...

7/19 Sunday

CLOW

Zoom 10:00am

Faith Fun

Zoom 10:30am

7/21 Tuesday

BIBLE STUDY

Zoom 1:00pm

7/22 Wednesday

Confession

Chapel 11:30am — 12:30pm

BIBLE STUDY

Zoom 7:00pm

7/23 Thursday

BIBLE STUDY

Zoom 1:00pm

CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER

Zoom 6:20pm

BIBLE STUDY

Zoom 7:00pm

7/24 Friday

Funeral 2:00pm

7/25 Saturday

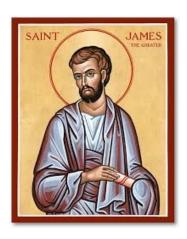
Confession

Chapel 4:15*pm* −5:15*pm*

Mass

Church 5:30pm

SAINT OF THE WEEK



JAMES THE GREATER

First Century

FEAST JULY 25

Jesus called James and John, the sons of Zebedee, to leave their livelihood as fishermen and follow him. Perhaps because of their zeal or temperament, Jesus called them "sons of thunder." James was the first of the 12 to be martyred; he was beheaded in Jerusalem by order of Herod Agrippa about 44 AD. He is the patron saint of pilgrims, laborers, rheumatism, several Latin American countries and Spain, where Santiago de Compostela has been a famous pilgrimage center since the Middle Ages. Some legends say James preached in Spain before his death; others say his relics were transferred there. "The greater" distinguishes him from the other apostle James, "the lesser," who likely was smaller or younger.

Mass Intentions

Sunday, July 19 – Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Glasgow

10:00 a.m. Glasgow Parishioners Intentions

12:00 p.m. Mellone

Monday, July 20 – Saint Apollinaris, Bishop, Martyr

8:00 a.m. Glasgow Creusa R. daSilva In Memory 11:00 a.m. Mellone Edward & Teresa Morace In Memory

Tuesday, July 21 – Saint Lawrence of Brindisi, Priest, Doctor of the Church

8:00 a.m. Mellone

11:00 a.m. Glasgow William & Jeanne Cassidy In Memory

Wednesday, July 22 - Saint Mary Magdalene

8:00 a.m. Glasgow Jose Cofino In Memory

11:00 a.m. Mellone

Thursday, July 23 - Saint Bridget, Religious

8:00 a.m. Marchese Dick Coffman In Memory

11:00 a.m. Mellone

Friday, July 24 – Saint Sharbel Makhlüf, Priest

8:00 a.m. Marchese 11:00 a.m. Glasgow

Saturday, July 25 – Saint James, Apostle

9:00 a.m. Mellone 5:30 p.m. Mellone

Sunday, July 26 - Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Mellone

10:00 a.m.MelloneParishionersIntentions12:00 p.m.GlasgowElsa ThompsonIntentions

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





Annunciation Catholic School congratulates the Class of 2020! Our outstanding class of scholars worked hard in this unprecedented school year earning acceptances into the top Catholic and Private Schools in the DMV: Georgetown Visitation, Gonzaga, St. John's, Maret, Sidwell Friends, Stone Ridge, Academy of the Holy Cross, Bishop McNamara and Elizabeth Seton. We wish them the very best in their High School Careers.

ACS is gearing up for Back to School in the Fall! We are busy working to achieve the guidelines necessary to reopen our school and welcome our scholars back 5 days a week! If you know of a family who is eager to send their children back to school full time in the Fall have them submit an application from our website www.annunciationschool.net, or contact Kristina Veirs at info@annunciationschool.net. Space is filling up fast.

FAITH FORMATION

Due to COVID-19 all Faith Formation programs will be conducted via Zoom. Contact Patrice Morace for more information: morace@annunctiondc.org or 240.688.7010

Children's Religious Education - Sessions for children in Grades 1-8 will begin the week of September 13th. Exact dates and times for each grade level are to be determined according to the majority who register. We are trying our best to meet everyone's needs. We can also offer online sessions that a parent and their child can do together. (Parental supervision is required). Registration will begin August 17.

RCIA - This program is for those who are considering becoming Catholic or those who are already Catholic but haven't received Eucharist or Confirmation. Sessions are tentatively scheduled for Tuesday evenings, 2 meetings per month from 7:30pm to 9:00pm or whatever works best for the group.

Baptismal Preparation Sessions - These are to prepare parents and Godparents of a child who is to be baptized. Sessions will be conducted as needed.

Bible Study - Our Bible Study will continue beginning the week of September 13th and will be held once during the day, with a choice of Tuesdays at 1:00pm or Thursdays evenings at 7:30pm.

2020 Jubilarian Mass

Are you celebrating a special wedding anniversary? Each year the Archdiocese of Washington honors couples married 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, and 51+ years at the annual Jubilarian Mass, held Sunday, November 22, 2020 at 2:00pm at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. For more information, please call the parish office. The deadline to register is September 30.



July 24, 2020 - 2:00pm Jane Dell'Amore



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 July supports IONA Senior Services which helps older adults and their families with the challenges of aging.

ADW Parish Pantry Support Project

No one should go hungry. During the COVID-19 pandemic, and with school closures, job disruptions, and health risks, millions of Americans have turned to food banks for much-needed support. Before the pandemic, 64 parishes of the Archdiocese of Washington served more than 7,500 people per week at an estimated monthly cost of at least \$92,000.

Since the onset of the pandemic, three additional parishes established food pantries. The total number of people served has grown to more than 15,000 at an estimated monthly cost of more than \$200,000 per month.

Gifts to the Parish Pantry Support Project helps replenish parish food pantries and sustain newly opened pantries where demand has skyrocketed this year. Please visit https://www.givecentral.org/appeals-form-registration/acp5ef10b3dea415/user/guest to help.

CHICKEN LICKEN DINNER

St. Mary's in Barnesville invites all to their 145th Annual Chicken Dinner and Jousting Tournament on Saturday, July 25th from noon to 6pm, or until sold out. Carryouts are \$16 There is a free Jousting Tournament from 1pm - 4pm. There will be a snack bar, baked goods, country store, white elephant stand, and live music of "Sookey Jump". Mass will be offered in the shrine church at 5pm, limited to the first 60 people. St. Mary's Church is located at 18230 Barnesville Road. For more information call 301-972-8660. All events are socially distanced, masks required, and sanitizer available. There will be a tent outside.

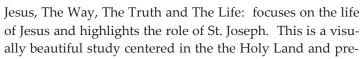
MEN'S READING GROUP

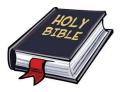
Our Seminarian, Louis McHale, will lead a men's reading group exploring the book by Josef Pieper titled "Faith, Hope, Love". The first meeting's topic will be Pieper's essay on faith on July 20th at 7:00pm. If you are interested, contact Louis at lmchale@adw.org.



BIBLE STUDY

You are invited to attend any of the following bible studies held via zoom (with zoom you can call in as well):





sented by Dr. Edward Sri, Dr. Jeff Cavins & Dr. Marcelino D'Ambrosio, all widely acclaimed scripture scholars & theologians.

We will re-run the Bible Study "Walking with Mary: A Biblical Journey from Nazareth to the Cross" as there have been a few requests from some who did not attend that bible study.

Jesus, The Way, The Truth and The Life: Tuesdays at 1:00pm & Wednesdays at 7:00pm

Walking With Mary: Thursdays at 1:00pm & 7:00pm

Please RSVP to attend any of these at morace@annunciationdc.org to receive the link/or phone info.

CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER INTRO WORKSHOP

July 18 Contemplative Prayer Intro Workshop w/Father Carl Arico and LJ Milone via Zoom. For those new to Contemplative Prayer or those who would like a refresher course, contact Martha Johnston at martha@marthajohnston.c om, Annunciation Social Concerns committee member. Visit the website https://conta.cc/3dKyYGT to learn more.



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. Thank you for your understanding and patience.



Gospel Today | 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time | Mt 13:24-43

Jesus tells us the Good Word grows within us, as the yeast grows within the dough – quietly and unseen, with great results!

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FAMILY PROJECT

Cycle A

WATCH THE DOUGH GROW

Mix up some dough, or buy fresh or frozen pizza dough. Remember – we can't see the yeast working, but we know it's working as the dough rises.

Pizza time...

Dough (follow directions for purchased or mixed), Tomato sauce, about 8 oz. shredded cheese, optional – vegetables or pre-cooked meat



Make the dough

1 cup warm (not hot) water

21/4 tsp. or 1 packet active dry yeast

2 tbsp. olive or vegetable oil

3 cups all purpose flour

½ tsp. salt

Mix water and yeast together in a large mixing bowl and let sit until the yeast becomes activated and begins to bubble/foam. Add the oil, flour and salt and mix well (add more flour if needed). Knead on clean floured surface a few minutes until it forms a ball. Oil a clean bowl and the dough surface. Cover dough and bowl with a towel and let rise in a warm place (about 1 hour).

Roll dough on a floured surface – place on baking tray covered with flour or bread crumbs. Spread on sauce, cheese and any other toppings you like. Bake at 400° for 10-15 minutes, or until done.

SWEET as HONEY

J.D., look at this dough grow!

Yes Honey, that tiny yeast we mixed in is just like the Word of God.



In its quiet way, it grows and spreads just perfectly.

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