

October 24, 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

Monday– Friday  
8:00am

**RECONCILIATION**

Saturday  
4:15pm-5:15pm  
*Or call the rectory for an  
appointment*



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## THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**FIRST READING: JEREMIAH 31:7-9**

Jeremiah speaks of God reuniting the people of Israel after their exile. He states that although they departed in tears, God will lead them all back and protect them, because he is father to Israel.

**SECOND READING: HEBREWS 5:1-6**

Each high priest is taken from among people and offers sacrifices for their sins. High priests do not choose to take on this honor, but are chosen by God. Even Christ did not choose this office, but was chosen by God to be a priest forever.

**GOSPEL: MARK 10:46-52**

A blind beggar approached Jesus and pleaded that Jesus heal him. Jesus called the man over and said, "Your faith has healed you." The man immediately received his sight and proceeded to follow Jesus up the road.

## PRAY WITH SCRIPTURE

<b>Monday</b>	Rom 8:12-17; Lk 13:10-17
<b>Tuesday</b>	Rom 8:18-25; Lk 13:18-21
<b>Wednesday</b>	Rom 8:26-30; Lk 13:22-30
<b>Thursday</b>	Eph 2:19-22; Lk 6:12-16
<b>Friday</b>	Rom 9:1-5; Lk 14:1-6
<b>Saturday</b>	Rom 11:1-2a, 11-12, 25-29; Lk 14:1, 7-11

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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,

In a letter from Cardinal Gregory he writes, "I am pleased to share with you the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Washington's pastoral plan for the 2021-2023 Synod. It is my hope that you will join me in the archdiocesan response to the Holy Father's call for a Universal Synod entitled, "For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation, and Mission." The Holy Father has asked that bishops, priests, and deacons follow Christ's example through this Synod process by engaging with our people, and those who have left our communities, through prayer, listening, dialogue, and discernment. I would ask that you join me and the clergy of this Archdiocese in this Synod process. I believe this Synod is an opportunity to re-engage with each other as we emerge from this global pandemic. This Synod offers us the opportunity to be with each other, to invite our family and friends back to the faith, to listen to each other's joys and sorrows, and share our hopes and dreams for our parishes.

Additional information about the Synod, as well as a timeline, can be found on our Archdiocesan website at [www.adw.org/synod](http://www.adw.org/synod). Resources will be added throughout our Synod process so that you may learn more about this process."

I have chosen Dr. Dorothy Zolandz and Ms. Alice Middleton to be our parish representatives for this Synod. They will direct how we will implement this process of listening to our church community. May the Holy Spirit guide all we say and do.

God's Peace,  
Fr. Mike



## HOMEBOUND HOSPITALIZED PARISHIONERS

We depend on families, friends, and neighbors to notify the parish office 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'd like to volunteer to take Holy Communion to your fellow parishioners, please contact Tina Lindberg at 202-362-3323 x15 or [lindberg@annunciationdc.org](mailto:lindberg@annunciationdc.org).



**LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR  
JEANNE JUGAN RESIDENCE**

In observance of All Souls Day, November 2, the Little Sisters of the Poor invite you to remember those who have gone before us and those who have made a difference in our lives.

If you would like the names of your loved ones added to the list of those remembered in prayer by the Little Sisters on November 2 and at Masses throughout the month, email [devwashingtont@littlesistersofthepoor.org](mailto:devwashingtont@littlesistersofthepoor.org) to send their names to Heather Cave.

They ask that you also consider making an offering, if you can, to help care for the aged poor men and women in their care.

To submit names, with a donation, email <https://littlesistersofthepoorwashingtontdc.theyshareonline.org/ws/opportunities/ACommemorationoftheFeastofAllSoulsNovember2>.



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 October will benefit the Gabriel Network to provide loving services to women and families challenged with a crisis pregnancy.

## SAINT OF THE WEEK


**BLESSED  
BONAVENTURE OF  
POTENZA**
**Feast Day – October 26**

1651-1711

Carlo Antonio Lavagna, born in Potenza in the Kingdom of Naples, took the name Bonaventure when he joined the Conventual Friars Minor. Some of his actions, done in exact obedience to the friars' rule, were seen as miracles. Of his assignments, the most fruitful was eight years in Amalfi, where he focused on pastoral care and educating youths. Humility kept him from positions of authority within his community, except for master of novices. Especially devoted to the Immaculate Conception, he died at Ravello with Mary's name on his lips. He was beatified in 1775, and is among saints from the Neapolitan region whose blood has liquefied after death.

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## MASS INTENTIONS

**Sunday, October 24**—*Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8:00 a.m.	Macfarlane	Simonetta Magari	In Memory
10:00 a.m.	Ivan	Parishioners	Intentions
12:00 p.m.	Macfarlane	Marie Jose Escartin-Embid	In Memory

**Monday, October 25**—*Monday of the Thirtieth Week in Ordinary Time*

8:00 a.m.	Marchese	Alexander Daniels	In Memory
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**Tuesday, October 26**—*Tuesday of the Thirtieth Week in Ordinary Time*

8:00 a.m.	Marchese	David & Joanne Brugger	Intentions
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**Wednesday, October 27**—*Wednesday of the Thirtieth Week in Ordinary Time*

8:00 a.m.	Sands	Fran Freeman	In Memory
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**Thursday, October 28**—*Saints Simon and Jude, Apostles*

8:00 a.m.	Marchese	The Taylor Family	In Memory
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**Friday, October 29**—*Friday of the Thirtieth Week in Ordinary Time*

8:00 a.m.	Marchese	Joseph Cammarata	Intentions
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**Saturday, October 30**—*Saturday of the Thirtieth Week in Ordinary Time*

9:00 a.m.	Nunciature	Joseph Alexander	In Memory
5:30 p.m.	Ivan	Souls in Purgatory	In Memory

**Sunday, October 31**—*Thirty First Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8:00 a.m.	Sands	Barbara Roy	In Memory
10:00 a.m.	Oberle	Parishioners	Intentions
12:00 p.m.	Russo	Vocations	Intentions

## 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



## 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>.





*“Jesus teaches us another way: Go. Go and share your testimony, go and interact with your brothers, go and share. Become the Word in body as well as spirit”. Pope Francis*

ARE YOU READY TO STEP OUTSIDE YOUR WORLD AND TOUCH THE LIVES OF OTHERS?

We invite you to share your time and talent by participating in a ministry or activity in our parish. What are your gifts? What talents do you want to share with others? Please review the volunteer opportunities and prayerfully consider sharing your gifts with the parish community.

Consider talking to Andreja Mezek or Tina Lindberg to explore how you can serve. Call 202.362.3323 or email at: mezek@annunciationdc.org, lindberg@annunciationdc.org or see us at Sunday Masses!

#### CHILDREN’S FAITH FORMATION

Want to learn more about your faith? Try teaching! Our children’s education and liturgy programs are in need of adults who want to make a difference in our children’s faith life. Each grade level has 3 to 4 adults so that the commitment is once a month or so and based on your availability!

The Faith formation program meets on Wednesday evenings 7pm to 8 :15pm, September through the beginning of May. All lesson plans are done for you! (and we like to have fun!)

#### CHILDREN’S LITURGY OF THE WORD LEADER

Meets on Sundays during the Liturgy of the Word portion of Mass at the 10am Mass. Proclaim the weekly readings to children. Sessions begin in September. All materials and activities provided...guaranteed to make you a scripture scholar!

#### CHILDREN’S FAITH FUN PROGRAM LEADER

Meets on Sundays at 10:30am to 11am. This is a scripture-based learning experience for children ages 5 and under. Sessions begin in September. All materials, activities supplied. Adult & teen help provided.

#### LECTORS, EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS, USHERS & ALTAR SERVERS

Lectors proclaim the Word at Mass during the week, weekends, and Holy Days. Prayer of the Faithful and announcements are added on the weekend.

Eucharistic Ministers help with the distribution of Holy Communion at Mass.

Ushers welcome parishioners as they arrive for Mass and help find seats as necessary, collect the offertory, and distribute the bulletin.

Altar Servers assist the priest at Mass. Adults welcome!

Serve at the Mass of your choice and availability. Training and preparation provided.



## DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET

Join us for the Divine Mercy Chaplet on Fridays at 3pm in the church or virtually via zoom. Contact Tina Lindberg, lindberg@annunciationdc.org for the Zoom coordinates or more details.

## THIS WEEK ...

**Sunday, October 24**

CLOW 10:00am (PC)

Food Drive 10:00am (Parking Lot)

**Wednesday, October 27**

Religious Education

7:00pm (School)

**Thursday, October 28**

Contemplative Prayer

6:20pm (Zoom)

Choir Rehearsal

7:30pm (Church)

**Saturday, October 30**

Mass 9:00am (Church)

Renewal of Vows

3:00pm (Church)

Confession

4:15pm—5:15pm (Chapel)

Mass 5:30pm (Church)



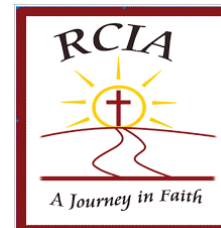
## RCIA

THINKING ABOUT BECOMING CATHOLIC? HAVEN'T COMPLETED THE SACRAMENTS OF CONFIRMATION OR COMMUNION?

Do you know anyone who is interested in learning about the Catholic Faith or considering becoming Catholic?

RCIA, (the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) is the place for them. For children over the age of 7, we have a process call RCIC, (the Rite of Christian Initiation for Children). Sessions have begun.

Please feel free to contact Andreja Mezek at 202.362.3323 ext. 13 or mezek@annunciationdc.org for information.



Juniors and Seniors in High School:

# QUO VADIS?

“Come and See Retreat”  
at Saint John Paul II Seminary

November 6–7, 2021



Thinking of college options after high school? Juniors and Seniors are invited to a discernment overnight retreat at Saint John Paul II Seminary in Washington, D.C. Experience seminary life firsthand. Pray and meet with seminarians, listen to inspiring talks, and enjoy sports.

Register at

<https://dcpriest.org/2021-come-and-see-retreat>.

For more information, please contact Fr. Mark Ivany,  
Director of Priest Vocations, 202-636-9020  
or vocations@adw.org.





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PICK OF THE WEEK

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## WATCH WITH GOD IN RUSSIA

Well known for his heroic story of surviving 24 years in Russian prison camps, this film about the great Jesuit Fr. Walter Cizek traces his incredible endurance and struggle for survival. It highlights his tremendous faith in God, and the remarkable impact his life has had on the resurgence of Catholicism in Russia, as seen with on location footage from around the world.



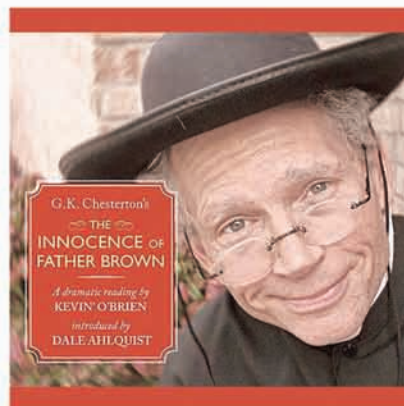
## LEARN THE CONFESSIONS OF ST. AUGUSTINE, SIX-PART SERIES



Dr. Elizabeth Klein and Dr. John Sehorn, professors at the Augustine Institute, walk through the culture shaping, famous work of The Confessions of Saint Augustine. This classic of western literature has shaped thought for over 1,500 years and is a spiritual masterpiece reflecting man's relationship with God.

## LISTEN THE INNOCENCE OF FATHER BROWN AUDIO BOOK BY G.K. CHESTERTON

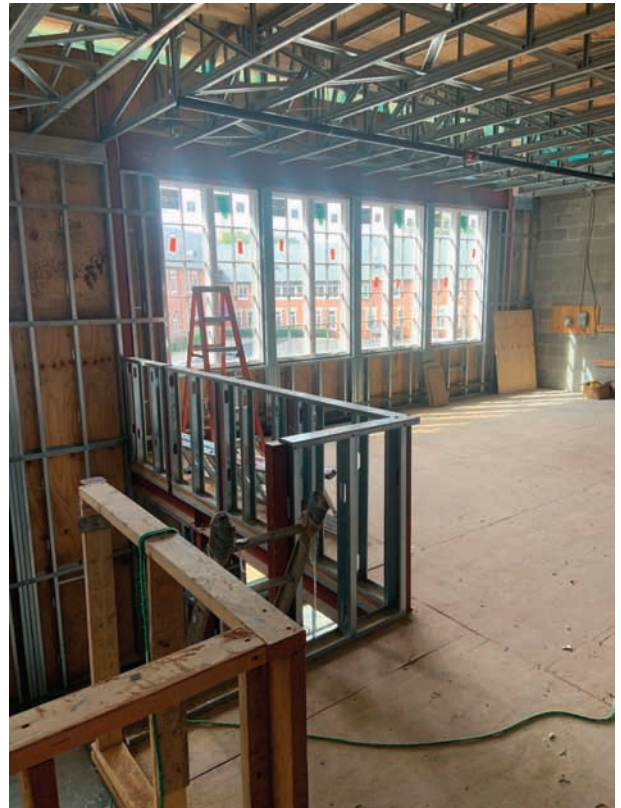
One of the most memorable sleuths in the canon of detective fiction has to be Father Brown, the small priest with "a face as round and dull as a Norfolk dumpling", but who nevertheless outwits the greatest criminal minds with his wisdom regarding human nature. Brought to life here by actor Kevin O'Brien in a series of dramatic readings.



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