

November 20, 2022

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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

Wednesday

5:30pm

RECONCILIATION

Wednesday
6:00pm-6:45pm

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: 2 Samuel 5:1-3

Samuel describes how all the tribes of Israel went to David in Hebron and said they were his bone and his flesh and it was he who led them back to Israel. The Lord told David he would be a shepherd to His people. David made an agreement with the elders and was anointed king.

Second Reading: Colossians 1:12-20

Paul explains to the Colossians that God has made them fit to share in the inheritance of the holy ones in light and that through the Son we have redemption and forgiveness of sin. He describes Jesus as the image of the invisible God, the head of the church and in Him all things hold together.

Gospel: Luke 23:35-43

Jesus is mocked by the crowd as he hung on the cross. Above him was an inscription that read "This is the king of the Jews." One of the men being crucified with Jesus tells Him to save them and Himself, while the other asks that he be remembered when Jesus is in his kingdom. Jesus said in reply, "Amen I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

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
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, 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

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A MILLION ROSARIES

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>.



PASTOR'S CORNER

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

We come to the last Sunday of the Church Year, the Solemnity of our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe. Our Gospel for this Sunday is taken from Luke 23:35-43. There is much to reflect upon. Jesus is mocked by the leaders of the people, the soldiers, and one of the criminals crucified alongside Him. All three of these groups center in on the power of Jesus to save Himself and in the case of the criminal, he as well. They are looking for the perpetuation of earthly life. They have put their hope only in this world.



Jesus on the other hand is looking forward to fulfilling the will of His Father and that is the salvation of all people unto the Heavenly Kingdom. The person known as the "Good Thief" seeks Paradise. This recalls the Garden of Eden before the fall of Adam and Eve. Jesus proclaims that this person will be with the Lord in His Kingdom; hence, our title for today's Solemnity, King of the Universe.

What do we long for in our lives? Do we only look to live for another day on this earth or to live with the Lord for eternity? Notice how controlled Jesus is in the midst of the mocking, shamefulness of being called a criminal, and the physical pain of crucifixion. Let us always take our trials and pain to the Cross of Christ and have Him redeem them through His own suffering, death, and Resurrection.

Thursday of this week is Thanksgiving Day. We will have our Mass at 9AM. During the Mass I will invite all present to offer a word of thanksgiving to God. I will also offer a blessing of any food you bring to the Church that will be served at your table. The offertory collection taken up at this Mass will be used to serve our social concern outreach to the poor.

May the peace of Christ rule your hearts, mind, and family. May you always know the love of Christ and share that love with others.

God's Peace,
Fr. Mike

HOLY HOUR FOR VOCATIONS & CONSECRATED RELIGIOUS LIFE

The Downtown Washington Serra Club will be conducting a prayerful Holy Hour for Vocations and for those in Consecrated Religious Life on Wednesday, December 7th at Annunciation Catholic Church, 3810 Massachusetts Ave., NW, Washington, 20016, from 6:00p.m. to 7:00p.m. A 5:30p.m. Mass will precede the Holy Hour. Please join us and invite your friends to join in this prayerful call to holiness and to pray for vocations.

THIS WEEK ...

Sunday, November 20

CLOW 10:00am (PC)

Book Club

11:00am (Atrium)

Wednesday, November 23

Mass 5:30pm (Church)

Eucharistic Adoration

6:00pm (Church)

Letter to Women Study

7:00pm (Atrium)

Thursday, November 24

Mass 9:00am (Church)

Office Closed

Friday, November 25

Office Closed

Saturday, November 26

Wedding 11:00am (Church)

Baptism 1:00pm (Church)

Confession 4:15pm (Church)

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.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, November 20—Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

8:00 a.m.	Mellone	Parishioners	Intentions
10:00 a.m.	Park	Thomas Davies	In Memory
12:00 p.m.	Park	Clementina Theresa Sclafani	In Memory

Monday, November 21—The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:00 a.m.	Mellone	All Souls	In Memory
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Tuesday, November 22—Saint Cecilia, Virgin, Martyr

8:00 a.m.	Park	All Souls	In Memory
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Wednesday, November 23—Saint Clement I, Pope, Martyr; Saint Columban, Abbot; Blessed Miguel Agustin Pro, Priest, Martyr

8:00 a.m.	Park	All Souls	In Memory
5:30 p.m.	Mellone	All Souls	In Memory

Thursday, November 24—Saint Andrew Dũng-Lạc, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs

9:00 a.m.	Mellone	All Souls	In Memory
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Friday, November 25—Saint Catherine of Alexandria, Virgin, Martyr

8:00 a.m.	Park	All Souls	In Memory
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Saturday, November 26—Saturday of the 34th Week in Ordinary Time

9:00 a.m.	Mellone	All Souls	In Memory
5:30 p.m.	Park	Joyce A. Perkins	In Memory

Sunday, November 27—First Sunday of Advent

8:00 a.m.	Park	Parishioners	Intentions
10:00 a.m.	Mellone	Anna Stillo	In Memory
12:00 p.m.	Mellone	Lydia Sogandares Payne	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.

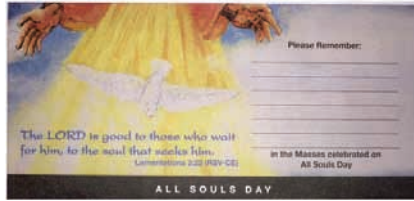
Never permit me to be separated from You.

Amen



ALL SOULS

At Annunciation, the prayer for 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.



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.

THE INTERRELIGIOUS COUNCIL THANKSGIVING DINNER

The annual Thanksgiving Dinner will resume in person at St. Alban's Episcopal Church. Dinner will be served at noon and is open to anyone in the community. St Alban's is located at 3001 Wisconsin Ave NW, Washington, DC. The meal will include turkey, several sides, and, of course, dessert!



ANNUAL WALK WITH MARY

The Archdiocese of Washington invites you to the annual *Walk with Mary* procession and Mass to honor Our Lady of Guadalupe, Patroness of the Americas, on **Saturday, December 10, 2022**. The procession will depart from the Shrine of the Sacred Heart (16th St. & Park Rd., NW) at 11:00 a.m. and conclude at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception (4th St. & Michigan Ave., NE). The praying of the Rosary will be at 1:00 p.m., followed by the Mass at 2:00 p.m., with Cardinal Wilton D. Gregory, Archbishop of Washington as the principal celebrant, and Auxiliary Bishop Mario E. Dorsonville, as the homilist.



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 Saturday, November 26th until Saturday, December 17th or until they sell out from 10am-9pm weekdays and 9am-9pm weekends. Cash, checks and credit cards are accepted.



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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.

A WAY TO HELP YOURSELF AND YOUR CHURCH

Having to take a distribution from your IRA this year? The IRA charitable distribution permits individuals who are 70 1/2 to gift up to \$100,000 from their IRA to charity free from federal income tax. If you are 72+ years old, then an IRA distribution may qualify for your required minimum distribution, permitting you to lower your income and taxes for this year while helping Annunciation Church or School. For more information or to make a contribution, please contact our business manager/accountant Patty Lovett at 202-331-9880 (office).



Join us in praying the rosary every Thursday at noon in front of the Russian Embassy on the Wisconsin Avenue Side for peace and an end to the war in Ukraine.

HOMEBOUND HOSPITALIZED PARISHIONERS

We depend on you to notify the us 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 would like to volunteer to take Holy Communion to your fellow parishioners, please contact Tina Lindberg at: 202-362-3323 or lindberg@annunciationdc.org.

When you pray,

go into your inner room, and when you have shut your door, pray to your Father who is in the secret place; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you. *Mt. 6:6*

We begin with Lection Divina, a traditional way of cultivating a relationship with Christ, then move into 30 minutes of silent Contemplative Prayer. This method of prayer is both a relationship with God and a discipline to deepen that relationship.

Contact Martha Johnston (martha@marthajohnston.com) for Zoom coordinates and any questions you may have.

Annunciation Contemplative Prayer
Thursday Evenings @ 6:25pm

We're collecting treasures for the December Christmas Bazaar!

Donate: Jewelry, antique treasures, home and kitchen goods, handbags and scarves, toys and sporting goods

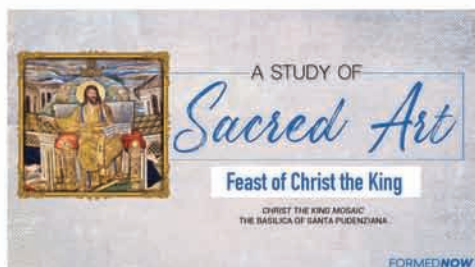
Please—no DVDs, CDs, clothing or books!



Contact Tina Lindberg at lindberg@annunciationdc.org
or 202-362-3323 x15 to schedule a drop-off

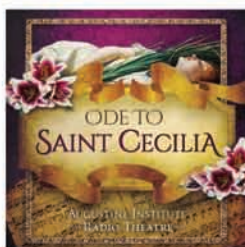
THIS WEEK ON FORMED

Week of November 20, 2022



Sacred Art: Christ the King

Sit down with Dr. Ben Akers and Taylor Kemp as they explore Catholic theology through the lens of Sacred Art. In this episode, they discuss the Solemnity of Jesus Christ, King of the Universe.



Ode to Saint Cecilia

The lives of the saints are epic stories and particular expressions of God's grace in humanity. Celebrate St. Cecilia with this audio drama by the Augustine Institute Radio Theatre.



Who is God? The Augustine Institute Show

Who is God? If we want to love God and make him the center of our lives, we would do well to settle this question at least in some small way. Tim Gray welcomes Professor Elizabeth Klein to discuss this topic.

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on our website:
www.ourladyofbethesda.org

The Spring 2023 course in the Institute's ongoing Continuing Education Series will be "Called to Love: Theology of the Body." It will be held on Wednesday evenings from January 18 to April 26, 2023.

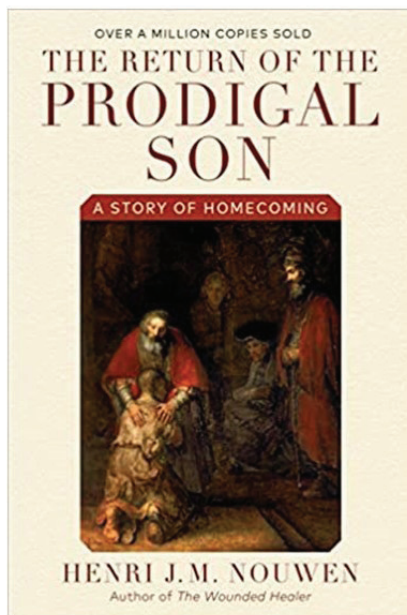
The course will be taught in person in McGivney Hall on Catholic University of America's campus in Room 006, and offered online simultaneously.

The class fee is \$150. To register, please complete the [online registration form](#). Payment can be submitted via check, cash, or credit card. To submit a credit card payment, please [click here](#).

This course can be taken toward renewal requirements for VCEA licensure. Numerous high schools in the Archdiocese of Washington accept the course for CEU credits.

If you have questions, please contact information@johnpaulii.edu

ANNUNCIATION BOOK CLUB



**ALL ARE
WELCOME!**

Let's gather together and discuss *The Return of the Prodigal Son* by Henri J.M. Nouwen

About the book:

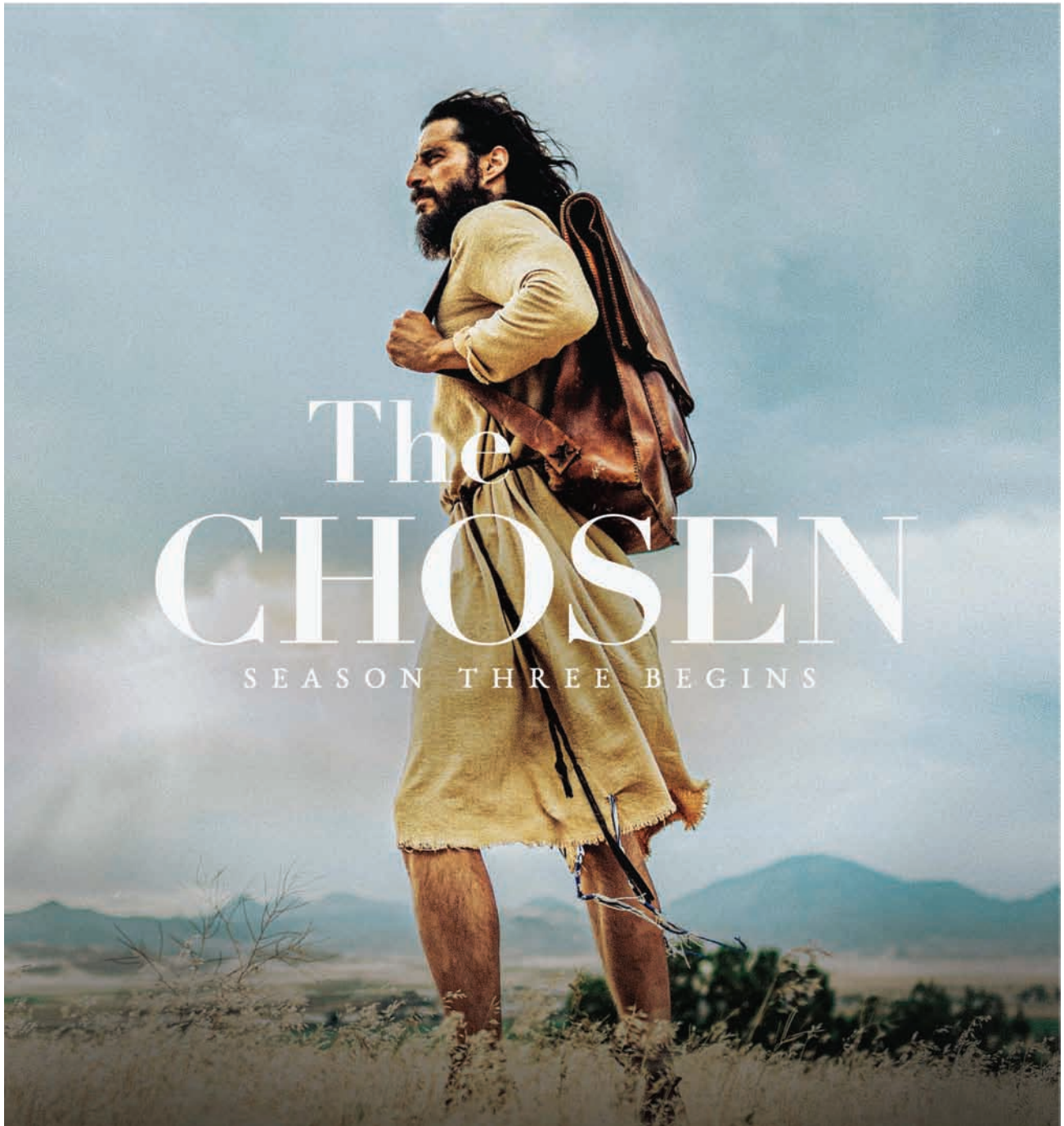
A chance encounter with a reproduction of Rembrandt's *The Return of the Prodigal Son* catapulted Henri Nouwen on an unforgettable spiritual adventure. Here he shares the deeply personal and resonant meditation that led him to discover the place within where God has chosen to dwell

As Nouwen reflects on Rembrandt's painting in light of his own life journey, he evokes a powerful drama of the classic parable in a rich, captivating way that is sure to reverberate in the hearts of readers. Nouwen probes the several movements of the parable: the younger son's return, the father's restoration of sonship, the elder son's resentfulness, and the father's compassion. The themes of homecoming, affirmation, and reconciliation will be newly discovered by all who have known loneliness, dejection, jealousy, or anger. The challenge to love as God loves, and to be loved as God's beloved, will be seen as the ultimate revelation of the parable known to Christians throughout time, and is here represented with a vigor and power fresh for our times.

Questions? Need a book?

Contact Tina Lindberg at lindberg@annunciationdc.org or 202-362-3323 x15.

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20TH @11AM
IN THE PARISH CENTER**



DON'T WANT TO GO TO THE THEATRE?

Join your fellow parishioners on Sunday, December 11, 2022 at 2:00pm in the Parish Center to view The Chosen Season 3: Episodes 1 & 2. Tickets are required. They can be purchased online at <https://brushfire.com/faithcontentnetwork/thechosenS3/543426> for \$11 per person.

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