

January 22, 2023

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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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THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FIRST READING: ISAIAH 8:23—9:3

The prophet Isaiah describes the anguish of a conquered people, but he promises that they will triumph and will see a great light as on the “day of Midian.”

SECOND READING: 1 CORINTHIANS 1:10-13, 17

Paul speaks to the Corinthians with both anger and indignation because they are quarrel-
ing among themselves as to whom they should show allegiance. Some wish to follow
Paul; some, Peter; others Apollos; others, Christ.

GOSPEL: MATTHEW 4:12-23

Jesus begins his mission by going to Capernaum, fulfilling the prophecy of Isaiah. He
selects Peter, Andrew, James and John as his disciples, inviting them to be “fishers of
men.”

PRAY WITH SCRIPTURE

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| Monday | Heb 9:15, 24-28; Mk 3:22-30 or, for the Day of Prayer, any readings from the Mass, “For Giving Thanks to God for the Gift of Human Life” (<i>Lectioary for Mass Supplement, 947A-947E</i>), or the Mass for “Justice and Peace” |
| Tuesday | Heb 10:1-10; Mk 3:31-35 |
| Wednesday | Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22; Mk 16:15-18 |
| Thursday | 2 Tim 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5; Mk 4:21-25 |
| Friday | Heb 10:32-39; Mk 4:26-34 |
| Saturday | Heb 11:1-2, 8-19; Mk 4:35-41 |

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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.



HOMEBOUND HOSPITALIZED PARISHIONERS

We depend on you to notify 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.

PASTOR'S CORNER

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

The Third Sunday of Ordinary Time has been set aside by Pope Francis to be devoted to the celebration, study, and dissemination of the Word of God. This is not just a one-day event but also a lifelong endeavor. We are a community of individuals that draw our spiritual and moral character from God's Word. Jesus is the Word of God, spoken in love for our and the world's salvation. We cannot survive without being nourished with His Word.

In consuming God's Word, we are formed into a people who count Jesus Christ as our Brother. We become a people whom God chooses to be one with Him. Last week many Christians and non-Christians gathered at Washington Hebrew Congregation to worship together as one in commemoration of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. It was truly a moving event to see so many representatives of various faiths coming together. Throughout the year, we at Annunciation, St. Albans, and the Washington Hebrew Congregation join together for the Unity Walk, Kristallnacht, and Thanksgiving. This is one way we acknowledge our unity in the Lord and with each other.

As we read from the Gospel of Matthew the beginning of Jesus' ministry we see how closely Matthew follows the word of Mark. During the week read these two Gospels side by side and see how much Matthew depends on Mark. If we are going to make a New Year resolution, how about reading the bible in a year. Follow the program set up by Brandon Vogt. <https://brandonvogt.com/how-to-easily-read-the-whole-bible/>. This is a great source with tremendous, good instruction.

God's Peace,
Fr. Mike

TAKE A PERSONAL "RETREAT" DAY

Are your days overcrowded, jam-packed, and busy, busy, busy? Take a break and enjoy your very own personal retreat at Our Lady of Bethesda Retreat Center. During your personal retreat, from 9am-4pm, an experienced retreat director will guide you to a place of rest with Christ. The retreat schedule allows for one-on-one spiritual direction (optional), quiet reflection, Mass, Confession and Eucharistic Adoration, plus lunch; so you will be nourished and cared for while Our Lord speaks to your soul about the depths of His love for you. Cost is \$100 per person. Advance Registration is required. Visit our website to register and to find more dates ourladyofbethesda.org or call 301-365-0612. We also have Mini-Retreats for Women and Evenings of Reflection for Men each month. Our Lady of Bethesda Retreat Center, 7007 Bradley Blvd., Bethesda, MD 20817. Dates are February 17th, March 10, and March 24.



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.

THIS WEEK ...

Sunday, January 22
CLOW 10:00am (PC)

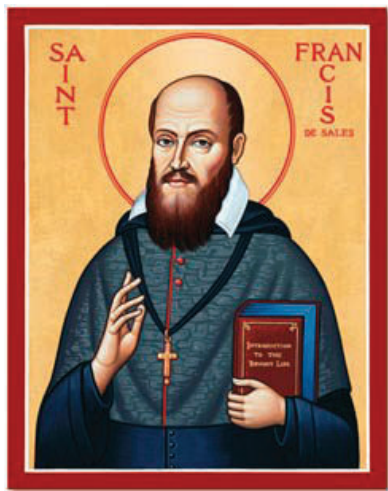
Tuesday, January 24
Walking with Purpose
7:00pm (PC)

Wednesday, January 25
Walking with Purpose
8:45am (PC)
Mass 5:30pm (Church)
Eucharistic Adoration & Confession 6:00pm (Church)

Thursday, January 26
Contemplative Prayer
6:20pm (Zoom)

Saturday, January 28
Memorial Service—Aguilar
10:30am (Church)
Confession 4:15pm (Church)

SAINT OF THE WEEK



FRANCIS DE SALES

1567 - 1622

FEAST January 24

Born in the Duchy of Savoy (now France), Francis studied at Annecy, Paris and Padua, and was ordained in 1593. He spent four years reconverting Catholics who had become Calvinists, writing many tracts to explain basic tenets of the faith. In 1602 he became bishop of Geneva, which he reorganized and reformed. He also famously preached in Paris and wrote two devotional books that are still widely read. A 20-year friendship with St. Jane Frances de Chantal led to their founding the Order of the Visitation. Canonized in 1665 and declared a doctor of the church in 1877, Francis is the patron saint of journalists, authors and the deaf.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, January 22—*Third Sunday in Ordinary Time*

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| 8:00 a.m. | Mellone | Parishioners | Intentions |
| 10:00 a.m. | Park | J. Dapray Muir | In Memory |
| 12:00 p.m. | Park | Personal Intention | Intentions |

Monday, January 23—*Saint Vincent, Deacon, Martyr; Saint Marianne Cope, Virgin*

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| 8:00 a.m. | Mellone | Andrea Clune | In Memory |
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Tuesday, January 24—*Saint Vincent de Sales, Bishop, Doctor of the Church*

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| 8:00 a.m. | Park | Marc Lapadula | In Memory |
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Wednesday, January 25—*The Conversion of Saint Paul the Apostle*

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| 8:00 a.m. | Mellone | The Rivers Family | Intentions |
| 5:30 p.m. | Park | Corey Wade | In Memory |

Thursday, January 26—*Saints Timothy and Titus, Bishops*

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| 8:00 a.m. | Marchese | Souls in Purgatory | In Memory |
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Friday, January 27—*Saint Angela Merici, Virgin*

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| 8:00 a.m. | Park | Ann Pontiere | In Memory |
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Saturday, January 28—*Saint Thomas Aquinas, Priest, Doctor of the Church*

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| 9:00 a.m. | Mellone | Pope Benedict XVI | In Memory |
| 5:30 p.m. | Park | Robert McHale | In Memory |

Sunday, January 29—*Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

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| 8:00 a.m. | Park | Parishioners | Intentions |
| 10:00 a.m. | Mellone | William & Jeanne Cassidy | In Memory |
| 12:00 p.m. | Mellone | Enrique Lewis-Morgan | 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



JOIN THE SERRANS

Are you being called to holiness? Are you being called to be a Serran? Come join Serrans as we pray for vocations and for those in consecrated life. Holy Hours are scheduled at 6:00 p.m. on the first Wednesday of each month at Annunciation Church, 3810 Massachusetts Avenue, NW, Washington 20016.

The Holy Hours will be Feb. 1, March 1, April 5, May 3, and June 7. Please come and join us in prayer in this lay apostolate. To learn more about Serra, contact Alice Middleton, Serra Club President at cathcap@aol.com.



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THIS WEEK ON FORMED

Week of January 22, 2023



Saint Francis de Sales: Pastor of Souls

St. Francis de Sales became a hero during the Catholic Reformation for his pastoral care and spiritual writings. Join Dr. Chris Blum as he walks through the life of this great saint, who is celebrated on January 24th!



The Conversion of Saint Paul

Dr. Ben Akers sits down with Dr. James Prothro, Assistant Professor of Sacred Scripture at the Augustine Institute Graduate School, to discuss the conversion of one of the largest figures in Christianity, Saint Paul.



Saint Thomas Aquinas with Randall Smith

The Angelic Doctor is often associated with his Summa Theologica among his other great works. Join Drs Christopher Blum and Randall B. Smith as they explore some of the lesser known works of St. Thomas Aquinas.

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Gospel Today

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time | Matthew 4:12-23

Year A

Jesus began His ministry by the sea. There He called His first disciples, brothers Simon (Peter) and Andrew as they were casting their nets. Brothers James and John were fishing when Jesus called them next, saying, "Come after Me and I will make you fishers of men".

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Jesus began to preach and say, "Repent, for the Kingdom of Heaven is at hand."

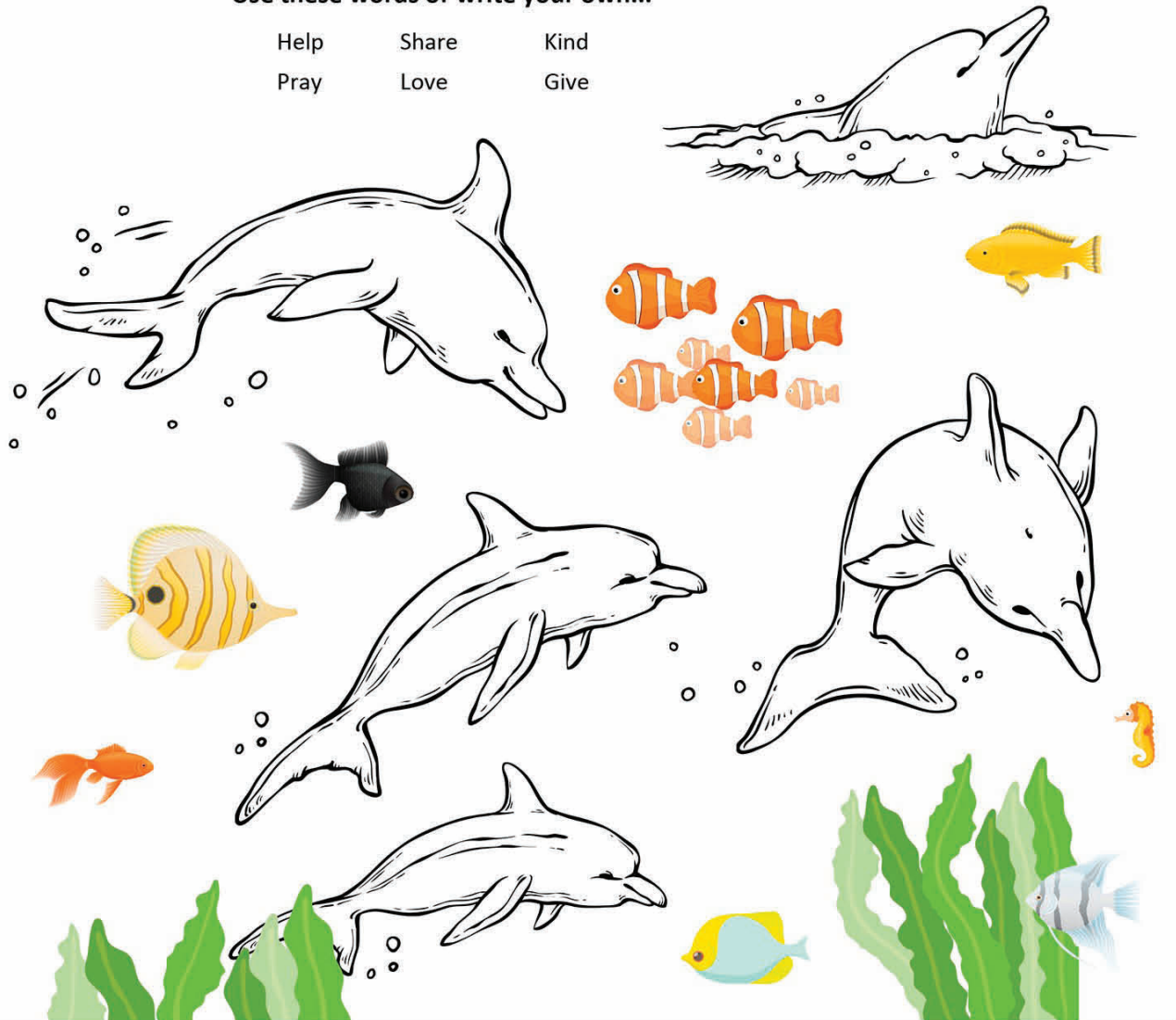
Matthew 4:17

PORPOISE WITH A PURPOSE

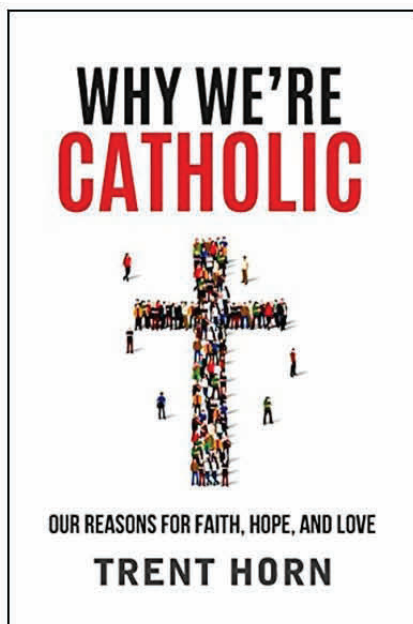
This school of fish (porpoise) wants to help you be a good disciple and teach others about God's Good News. Write some ways of being a good Catholic on the fish below, as they swim along in the sea, for all to see!

Use these words or write your own...

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| Help | Share | Kind |
| Pray | Love | Give |



ANNUNCIATION BOOK CLUB



**ALL ARE
WELCOME!**

January's book choice is *Why We're Catholic: Our Reasons for Faith, Hope, and Love* by Trent Horn

About the book:

How can you believe all this stuff? This is the number-one question Catholics get asked and, sometimes, we ask ourselves. Why do we believe that God exists, that he became a man and came to save us, that what looks like a wafer of bread is actually his body? Why do we believe that he inspired a holy book and founded an infallible Church to teach us the one true way to live? Ever since he became Catholic, Trent Horn has spent a lot of time answering these questions, trying to explain to friends, family, and total strangers the reasons for his Catholic faith. Some didn't believe in God, or even in the existence of truth. Others said they were spiritual but didn't think you needed religion to be happy. Some were Christians who thought Catholic doctrines over-complicated the pure gospel. And some were fellow Catholics who had a hard time understanding everything they professed to believe on Sunday. *Why We're Catholic* assembles the clearest, friendliest, most helpful answers that Trent learned to give to all these people and more. Beginning with how we can know reality and ending with our hope of eternal life, it's the perfect way to help skeptics and seekers (or Catholics who want to firm up their faith) understand the evidence that bolsters our belief and brings us joy.

Questions? Need a book?

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