

Mass Schedule

Saturday......(Vigil) 5:30pm Sunday.....8am, 10am, 12pm

Monday — Friday 8:00am Wednesday 5:30pm Saturday 9:00am

Confessions

Wednesdays......6:00-6:45pm Saturdays......4:15-5:15pm

Devotions

Eucharistic Adoration Every Wednesday 6-7pm

Rosary After the 8am daily Mass

Miraculous Medal Novena After the 9am Saturday Mass

Annunciation Catholic Church

Be it done to me according to your Word +Luke 1:38+

September 17, 2023 Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Worship 1178
Entrance Hymn – Worship 831
Responsorial Psalm
"The Lord is kind and merciful, slow to anger, and rich in compassion."
Offertory Hymn – Worship 967
Communion Hymn – Worship 755
Closing Hymn – Worship 645

Parish Announcements

Our second collection this weekend supports our building and maintenance fund.

A reminder to purchase your ticket now for our 75th Anniversary Gala on October 7th. Space is limited and tickets are selling quickly, so don't delay! Tickets are \$75 and available for purchase after the Masses this weekend.

Welcome to Annunciation!

Our Mission

Through the power of the Holy Spirit, Annunciation Catholic Church exists to further God's reign in all its members and our local community.

Through worship, education and prayer, we come together to minister to all God's people in healing and reconciling love.

Our Parish

Hours Monday-Friday 9am-4pm <u>Contact</u> (202) 362-3323

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Sacramental Celebrations



Baptism joyfully celebrates the entrance of members into our Catholic Church. Baptisms are celebrated on Saturday mornings, following preparation of the parents. Baptisms for adults take place through the RCIA process. For more information contact Andreja Mezek.



Couples should contact the parish office as soon as they are able, at least six months in advance of the desired wedding date to make arrangements for marriage preparation. Any inquires should be sent to the parish office.



Our parish continues Christ's ministry of healing to those who suffer physical or emotional ills with the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. Please call the parish office if you would like to receive this sacrament.

Our parish also wants to assist with the passing of a loved one. In death life is changed, not ended, because of our faith in the Resurrection. Please contact the office so that our staff can help you with the funeral arrangements.

Liturgical Worship

"The liturgy is the summit toward which the activity of the Church is directed; at the same time it is the font from which all her power flows." (Sacrosanctum Concilium)

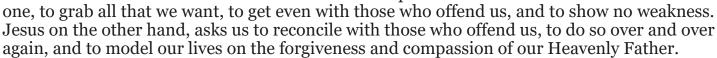
Active participation in our worship of God fosters growth in faith, hope and charity for all the faithful, but particular ministries help in that participation. If you would like to be a lector (a reader of Sacred Scripture), an acolyte (a minister who assists the priest at the altar), or an extraordinary minister of Holy Communion (a minister who helps distribute the Eucharist), please contact Tina Lindberg.

"Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, singing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs with gratitude in your hearts to God" (Col 3:16). If you would like to be a part of our music ministry, please contact Frank Conlon: frankconlon@comcast.net

Pastor's Corner

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

This past Sunday and this Sunday Jesus shares with us His teaching on reconciliation and forgiveness. These are truly calls to act differently than what the world teaches us to do. The world asks us to put ourselves as number



We are challenged to ask ourselves, why our ways have become so different from God. Maybe part of the answer lies in the way we prioritize our ways over God's ways. We may need to look more closely at how much we need to be forgiven and God's immeasurable mercy. A nightly Examination of Conscience may help us to become more aware of our faults and failings and lead us to seek God's mercy and therefore offer mercy to others.

Our 75th Gala celebration is quickly approaching. Please purchase your ticket and enjoy fellowship with your friends and parishioners. Several of the former priests and seminarians who were assigned to Annunciation Catholic Church have indicated they will join us.

God's Peace, Fr. Mike

Mass Intentions		What's Happening This Week?
Sunday, September 17 8am Parishioners 10am †William & Jeanne Cassidy 12pm †Father Donald Brice Monday, September 18 8am †Joseph Viet Anh Huynh Tuesday, September 19 8am †Maria Ferriday Wednesday, September 20 8am †Lee Leonhardy 5:30pm Simonetta Brandolini d'Adda Thursday, September 21 8am †Juan Ore Friday, September 22 8am †Mary Ellen Kirst Saturday, September 23 9am Reconciliation 5:30pm †Herman B. Hillman	Park Afu Mellone Mellone Park Afu Mellone Afu Mellone Afu Mellone	Sunday, September 17 CLOW, 10:00am (Atrium) Memorial Mass for Father Brice, 12:00pm (Church) Tuesday, September 19 Men's Group, 7:00pm (Atrium) Walking with Purpose, 7:00pm (PC) Wednesday, September 20 Walking with Purpose, 9:00am (PC) Mass, 5:30pm (Church) Eucharistic Adoration & Confession, 6:00pm (Church) Thursday, September 21 Contemplative Prayer, 6:25pm (Zoom) Choir Rehearsal, 7:30pm (Church) Saturday, September 23 Confessions, 4:15pm (Church)

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Becoming Catholic

If you are interested in becoming a Catholic, join RCIA.

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is a gradual process of spiritual formation that includes prayer, sharing, and study and occurs in the context of the parish community. It is intended for adults who:

- •are not baptized and would like to be fully initiated and welcomed into the Catholic Church through the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist
- •were baptized in another Christian community/tradition and seek to be received into the full communion of the Catholic Church through the sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist
- •were baptized as Catholics as infants/children but have not received the sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist

RCIA Meetings take place on Mondays from 7-8:30pm.

Children's CCD

The Children's Faith Formation program exists to communicate the Good News of Jesus Christ in the context of the beliefs and practices of the Roman Catholic Church. It provides sacramental preparation for First Reconciliation, First Eucharist, and Confirmation as well as ongoing faith formation for children in First through Eighth Grades.

For any questions please contact Andreja Mezek at mezek@annunciationdc.org.

SOCIAL CONCERNS OUTREACH

Homeless Ministry

Food donations are accepted throughout the year. Please place any donations in the bin in the church hallway.

Homebound or Hospitalized Parishioners

Please notify us if parishioners are hospitalized or homebound so we may provide the sacraments - especially Holy Communion. Also, if you would like to volunteer to take Holy Communion to your fellow parishioners, please contact Tina Lindberg at lindberg@annunciationdc.org.

Parish Bazaar

We are now accepting donations for our Christmas Bazaar.

For more information on these programs, contact Tina Lindberg at lindberg@annunciationdc.org.

FAITHFUL STEWARDSHIP

God loves a cheerful giver! (2 Cor 9:7)



Poor Box

Donations for the month of September support the DC Food Project and Weekend Bag Program which provides weekend meals for students.





PARISH LIFE



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SO MUCH MORE THAN A BIBLE STUDY

Meetings take place on Tuesdays from 7-8:30pm and Wednesdays from 9-10:30am in the Parish Center. Contact Sue Lohsen at sue@lohsen.com for more info.

MEN'S GROUP

faith + fraternity + fiat

Through faith formation and fraternal discussions, the men of the parish strive to imitate Mary and Joseph's Fiat to God—Be it done to me according to Your Word!

Tuesdays from 7-8:15pm in the Parish Atrium Contact Daniel Danello for more info: dfdanello@gmail.com



Pray the Rosary for Peace in Ukraine

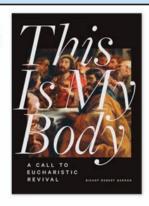
Every Thursday at 12pm—Rain or Shine in front of the Russian Embassy 2650 Wisconsin Ave NW

BOOK CLUB

Book of the Month

We will meet on Sunday, **September 24th at 11am** in the Parish Atrium.

For more info contact Tina Lindberg at lindberg@annunciationdc.org





Coffee Hour is Back!



Thanks to volunteers, there are now donuts and coffee after the 8am and 10am Masses every week, but after the 12pm Mass only on the second Sunday of the month. With more volunteers, we can have donuts and coffee after that Mass, too. If you would like to volunteer to help with setup, cleanup, or to tend the coffee and donuts between Masses, please contact Anita Siegfriedt at asiegfriedt@gmail.com.

Annunciation Contemplative Prayer Thursday Evenings @ 6:25pm

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 for Zoom Coordinates and any questions you may have – martha@marthajohnston.com.

"Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations."

- Myt 28:19



Pray in English Monday through Friday after the 8am Mass, in Spanish after the 10am Mass on Sunday Meet in the church



Annunciation





75th Anniversary



Rejoice, So Highly Favored!

Annunciation's 75th Anniversary

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7th
ANNUNCIATION PARISH CENTER

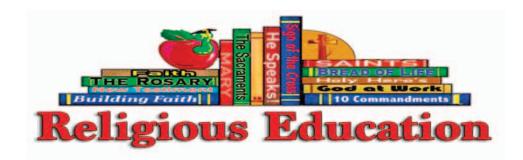
COCKTAILS 6:30-7:30 PM DINNER 7:30-9:30 PM

TICKETS \$75 A PERSON COCKTAIL ATTIRE

NOTE SPACE IS LIMITED

Invitations have been mailed to all registered parishioners. Please send back your RVSP as soon as possible to secure a seat. You can also buy tickets at our 75th Anniversary table at church after the Saturday 5:30 PM masses and the Sunday masses.

For more information call (202) 362-3323 or email 75anniversary@annunciationdc.org



IT'S TIME TO REGISTER!

Our faith is a lifelong process of formation and knowledge.

Online registration is now open for our 2023-2024

Catechetical Program year!

Register your 1-8 grade child(ren) today.

Religious Education sessions will begin on

Wednesday, September 20 at 7pm with an opening celebration in the Church.

Scan the code to complete registration.

Contact Andreja Mezek at 202.362.3323 ext 13 or mezek@annunciationdc.org for information.

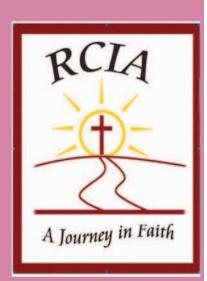


ARE YOU SOMEONE OR DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO...

Has expressed an interest in becoming Catholic? Has a child over the age of seven who has not been baptized? Was baptized Catholic as a child, but has not celebrated the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist?

We offer an opportunity to come together in a small group to learn more about our faith. Sessions focus on the teachings and experience of Church and prepare individuals to celebrate the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist during the Easter season. There are separate sessions for children or youth. You are welcome to participate in the process with your questions, your insights, and your faith story in a warm accepting setting.

For information, please contact Andreja at 202-362-3323 or mezek@annunciationdc.org.





Gospel Today

Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time | Matthew 18:21-35

Jesus says there should be no limit to the times we forgive, from our hearts, those who treat us unfairly.





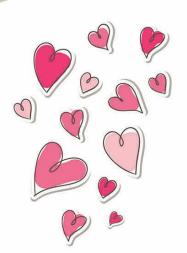
Think of someone you need to forgive.

What symbol would best show what you are feeling?

Love, peace, hugs & kisses or prayer; or are you just proud to be in America.

Design and color your own FORGIVENESS FLAG.

With the symbols below, or your own ideas, design a larger flag on a separate piece of paper and hang it in a window.



Forgive from the heart flag

SAMPLE FLAGS



American flag



Peace flag



Praying hands flag

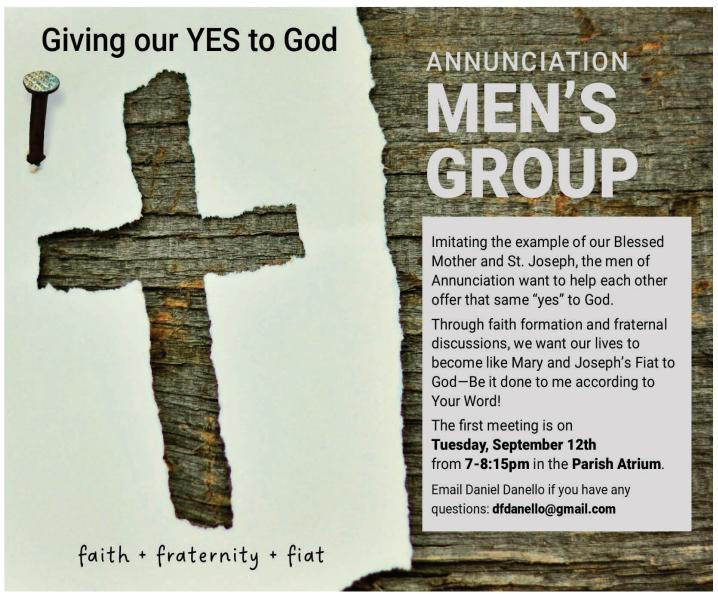
BLESSED SACRAMENT BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

The Shrine of the Most Blessed Sacrament at 3630 Quesada Street, NW Washington, DC, 20015-2538, will offer an eight-week bereavement support group series for adults who have experienced the death of a parent, spouse, child, sibling or significant other. The next series will begin **Tuesday October 24**, **2023** and continue for eight consecutive Tuesdays through December 12, 2023 from 7:00-8:30 PM. The meetings are virtual. For more information contact Jim Hoffman at hoffmanlpc@gmail.com or call cell: (202) 577 – 2213.

PRAYER LINE | SETON SHRINE

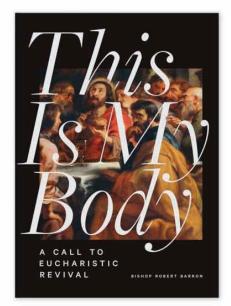
Are you in need of prayer? Are you lonely or overwhelmed? The National Shrine of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton has a prayer line available with staff who will speak with and pray with you. Your prayer intentions can be placed on the tomb of Mother Seton. Call us toll free at 1-866-202-4934, Monday - Friday, 10am - 5 pm. We are here for you.







Our September book is *This is My Body: A Call to Eucharistic Revival* by Bishop Robert Barron.



ALL ARE WELCOME!

A recent Pew Forum survey revealed the startling statistic that 69% of Catholics do not believe in the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist. For the majority of Catholics today, the Eucharist is merely a symbol of Christ, and the Mass is merely a collectivity of like-minded individuals gathering to remember his life.

This indicates a spiritual disaster, for the Eucharist is "the source and summit of the Christian life." In response to this crisis, Bishop Robert Barron, then the Chair of the Committee on Evangelization and Catechesis for the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, began working with his brother bishops on a solution. From these conversations, the National Eucharistic Revival was born.

This Is My Body: A Call to Eucharistic Revival is designed to accompany that revival. In this brief but illuminating text, Bishop Barron offers a threefold analysis of the Eucharist as sacred meal, sacrifice, and Real Presence, helping readers to understand the sacrament of Jesus' Body and Blood more thoroughly so that they might fall in love with him more completely.

Discover the profound truth flowing out of Jesus' words at the Last Supper: "Take, eat; this is my body. . . . Drink from it, all of you; for this is my blood of the covenant."

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24TH @11AM IN THE PARISH ATRIUM

BOOKS ARE AVAILABLE FOR FREE WHILE SUPPLIES LAST!

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

We're collecting treasures for the December Christmas Bazaar!

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Please—no DVDs, CDs, clothing or books!





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