



# Annunciation Catholic Church

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

**September 24, 2023**  
**Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

## 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

Worship 1181  
Entrance Hymn – Worship 790  
Responsorial Psalm  
*"The Lord is near to all who call upon him."*  
Offertory Hymn – Worship 772  
Communion Hymn – Worship 857  
Closing Hymn – Worship 787

## Parish Announcements

Our second collection this weekend supports our ministry to the homeless.

**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

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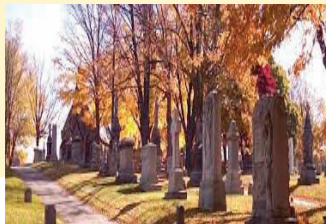
## Sacramental Celebrations



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 inquiries 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,

Do you know the generous mercy of the Lord? Our God is always more than we can fathom. When we attribute a virtue to the Lord we often think of it in human terms. The Lord tells us that His ways are far beyond our ways. If we say the Lord is generous, merciful, forgiving, etc., we only conceive of it in our limited capacity.

I like to keep in mind a little story Rev. George Golden told. While at a family meal when it was finished and the dishes were being collected, his mother might say, “keep your fork.” This brought joy to George because it meant there was still more to come, a dessert. This story was related to many at George’s funeral. He asked that he would be buried with a fork as a sign of something special to come following his death.

No matter how long we labor in the Lord’s vineyard, doing the will and work that the Lord provides for us, His generous love, compassion, mercy are always more than we can imagine. We are truly blessed to live and die in the Lord Jesus Christ. His love is everlasting.

God’s Peace,  
Fr. Mike

## Mass Intentions

### Sunday, September 24

8am	Parishioners	Mellone
10am	Simonetta Brandolini d’Adda	Park
12pm	†Benjie Byers	Afu

### Monday, September 25

8am	†Cleofas Tanamor	Mellone
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### Tuesday, September 26

8am	†Georgina Moroney	Park
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### Wednesday, September 27

8am	Edfa Bagalasca & Family	Mellone
5:30pm	†Charles W. Neuner	Afu

### Thursday, September 28

8am	†Maria Louisa Hurbide	Mellone
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### Friday, September 29

8am	†Ivan J. Zakarija	Park
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### Saturday, September 30

9am	†Lou Thomas	Park
5:30pm	†Lorenzo Jaramillo	Afu

## What’s Happening This Week?

### Sunday, September 24

CLOW, 10:00am (Atrium)

### Tuesday, September 26

Men’s Group, 7:00pm (Atrium)  
Walking with Purpose, 7:00pm (PC)  
Pastoral Council Meeting, 7:00pm (CR)

### Wednesday, September 27

Walking with Purpose, 9:00am (PC)  
Mass, 5:30pm (Church)  
Eucharistic Adoration & Confession, 6:00pm (Church)

### Thursday, September 28

Contemplative Prayer, 6:25pm (Zoom)  
Choir Rehearsal, 7:30pm (Church)

### Friday, September 29

Wedding Rehearsal, 5:00pm (Church)

### Saturday, September 30

Wedding, 2:30pm (Church)  
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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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.

Donate with Venmo



or sign-up with Faith Direct



# PARISH LIFE



## walking with purpose

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

## ANNUNCIATION

# 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](mailto:dfdanello@gmail.com)



## Pray the Rosary for Peace in Ukraine

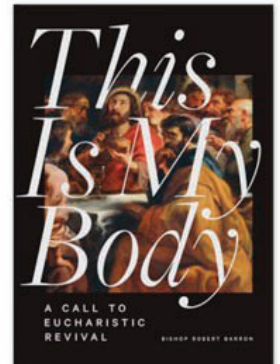
Every Thursday at 12pm—Rain or Shine in front of the Russian Embassy  
2650 Wisconsin Ave NW

## 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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:martha@marthajohnston.com).

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

— Mt 28:19



## Pray the Rosary

*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

2023 - 2024



*Rejoice, So Highly Favored!*



Upcoming dates and events for our upcoming 75th anniversary celebrations.

## Saturday, October 7th

75th Annunciation Parish Anniversary Dinner Gala

Annunciation Parish Center

6:30pm-9:30pm

\*Limited tickets available

**Note: tickets will not be available at the door.**

As Saturday, October 7th is the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary, we will pray the rosary in Mary's Garden to the left of the front entrance of the church at 5:00 p.m. In case of rain, the rosary will be prayed in church. All parishioners are invited to join us.

## PRAY FOR VOCATIONS

Join the Serrans as they pray for vocations and for those in consecrated life during the Holy Hour on Wednesday, October 4th. Holy Hour for vocations are scheduled at 6:00 p.m. on the first Wednesday of each month at Annunciation Church, 3810 Massachusetts Avenue, NW, Washington 20016.

## BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS



SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2023

2:00PM

IN FRONT OF THE CHURCH

ALL PETS ARE WELCOME



# Religious Education

## IT'S TIME TO REGISTER!

Religious Education has begun .  
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.  
Scan the code to complete registration.  
Contact Andreja Mezek at 202.362.3323 ext 13 or  
[mezek@annunciationdc.org](mailto:mezek@annunciationdc.org) for information.

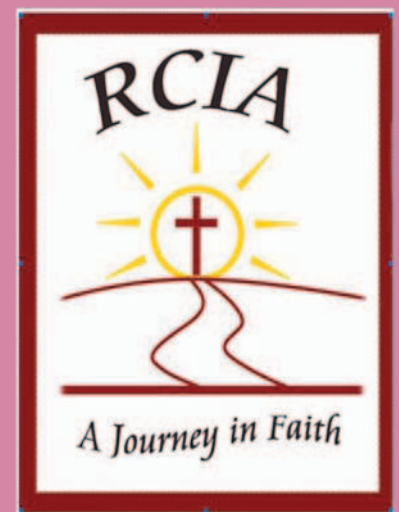


## ARE YOU SOMEONE OR DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO...

- 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](mailto:mezek@annunciationdc.org).



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## Gospel Today

Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time | Matthew 20:1-16a

Jesus compares the Kingdom of Heaven to the vineyard - the rewards are equal for all regardless of when the workers begin, or the faithful respond to the call of Jesus.

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The landowner went out at dawn to hire workers. The first workers agreed on a daily wage. Later in the day the next workers agreed to a just, or fair wage. The last workers only worked 1 hour. Though all the workers started at different times, the landowner paid them the same. Upon receiving the same daily wage, the workers who were in the vineyard all day were envious. The landowner said, "Take what I promised and go. I am free to be generous with my money."

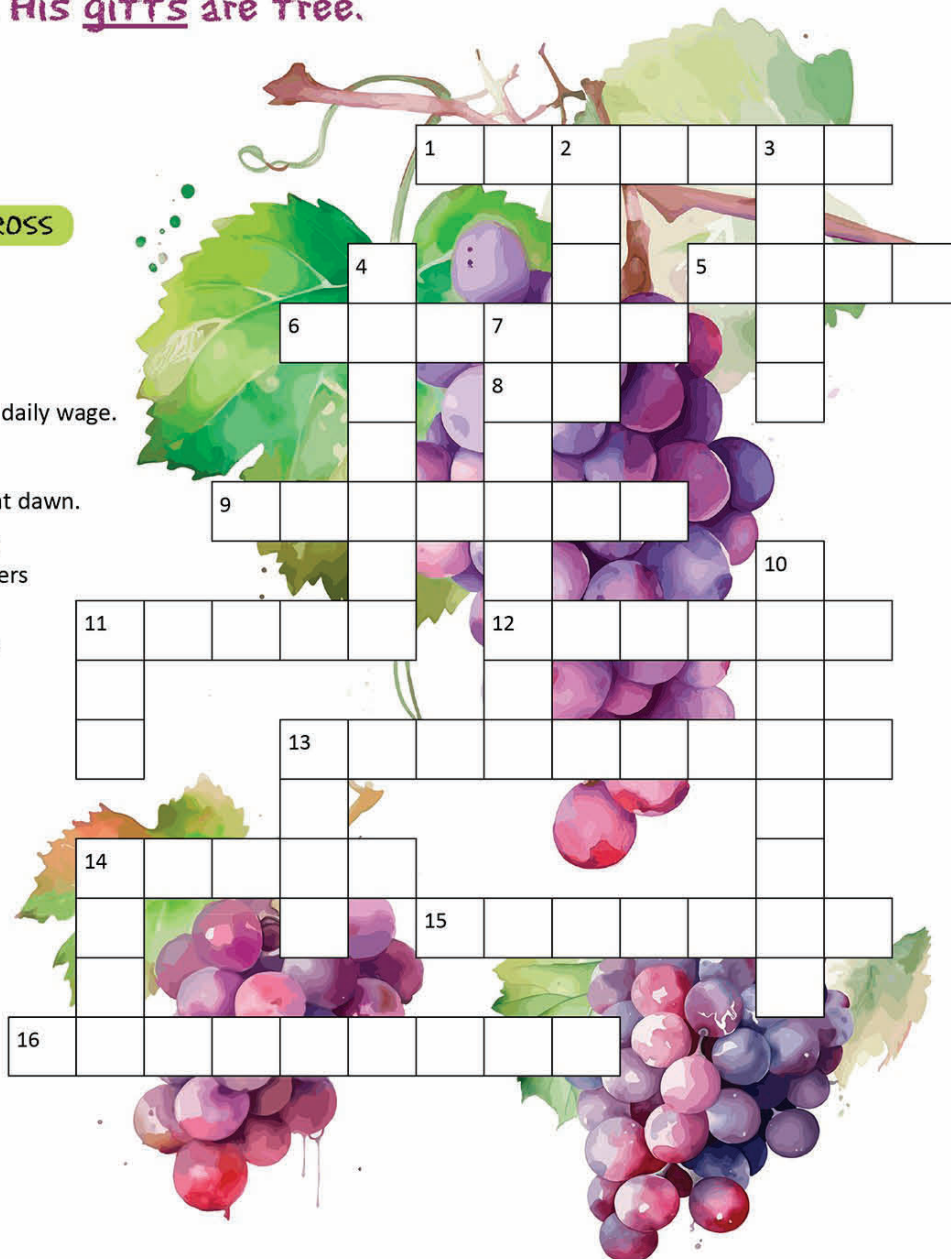
God is generous... His gifts are free.

- 1 Today's reading is from the book of \_\_\_\_
- 5 Word meaning "fair"
- 6 Kingdom of \_\_\_\_
- 8 Heaven \_\_\_\_ like...
- 9 People ready to do a job
- 11 God's \_\_\_\_ are free.
- 12 The workers \_\_\_\_ to the usual daily wage.
- 13 The \_\_\_\_ hired the workers
- 14 The \_\_\_\_ workers were hired at dawn.
- 15 The first workers were \_\_\_\_ of the wage paid to the last workers hired.
- 16 The first workers thought they would be \_\_\_\_ more money.

**ACROSS**

**DOWN**

- 2 The workers all started at different \_\_\_\_ of day.
- 3 The same, or \_\_\_\_
- 4 In Heaven, the \_\_\_\_ are equal for all.
- 7 A place to grow grapes
- 10 The landowner was \_\_\_\_ with his money.
- 11 Our Heavenly Father
- 13 The workers hired \_\_\_\_ were paid first.
- 14 No charge



All answers are underlined on this page.

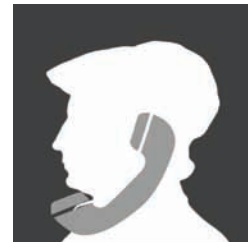


## BLESSED SACRAMENT BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

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](mailto: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.



## PLAN TO TAKE A PERSONAL “RETREAT” DAY

Are your days overcrowded, jam-packed, and busy, busy, busy? Take a break this summer and enjoy your very own personal retreat at Our Lady of Bethesda Retreat Center on September 29th. 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 at [ourladyofbethesda.org](http://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.

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS INSURANCE

Wish your retirement savings were invested according to Catholic values? Don't qualify for life or disability insurance? Please join us for an overview of the many investment products offered by Knights of Columbus Insurance.

Tuesday, Sept. 26, 2023, 8 PM

Knights Council Hall

5034 Wisconsin Ave, Ste 200.

Washington, DC 20016

*\*\*Handicap accessible from the rear parking lot\*\**

For more information, call Steve Upton: 301-873-7450

# FALL FOOD DRIVE

Sunday, October 1st  
10am-12pm

**Bring your donations to Mass with You or  
Drop-off in the parking lot**

Benefits Inner City Washington Food Pantries  
through the John S. Mulholland Family Foundation

**PANTRY NEEDS:**

**Canned Tuna or Chicken**

**Dry Cereal** (Cheerios, Bran Flakes)

**Canned Vegetables** (Green Beans, Peas, Corn)

**Soup** (Hearty varieties are best)

**Canned Fruit** (any kind)

**Peanut Butter and Jelly** (Plastic containers please!)

**Baked Beans** (cans) and **Rice** (any size),

**Pasta and Pasta Sauce** (Plastic containers please!)

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Giving our YES to God



ANNUNCIATION  
**MEN'S  
GROUP**

Imitating the example of our Blessed Mother and St. Joseph, the men of Annunciation want to help each other offer that same "yes" to God.

Through faith formation and fraternal discussions, we want our lives to become like Mary and Joseph's Fiat to God—Be it done to me according to Your Word!

The first meeting is on  
**Tuesday, September 12th**  
from **7-8:15pm** in the **Parish Atrium**.

Email Daniel Danello if you have any questions: [dfdanello@gmail.com](mailto:dfdanello@gmail.com)

faith + fraternity + fiat

## 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!**



*hohoho*

Contact Tina Lindberg at [lindberg@annunciationdc.org](mailto:lindberg@annunciationdc.org)  
or 202-362-3323 x15 to schedule a drop-off

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