# September 15, 2019

# ANNUNCIATION CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Saturday 9:00am, Vigil 5:30pm

Miraculous Medal Novena after the Saturday 9am Mass

Sunday

7:30am, 9:00am, 10:30am, & 12:30pm

Children's Liturgy of the Word at the Sunday 9:00am Mass

Monday- Friday 8:00am & 11:00am

#### EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Wednesday 11:30am-7pm

RECONCILIATION

Wednesday 11:30am-12:30pm

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



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## TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

#### First Reading: Exodus 32:7-11, 13-14

God became very angry with the Israelites for worshiping a molten calf and making sacrifices to it. The people had so quickly violated his commandments that he planned to destroy them. But Moses pleaded with God for mercy and God relented.

#### SECOND READING: 1 TIMOTHY 1:12-17

Paul considered himself a former blasphemer and persecutor, and expressed his gratitude for the mercy Jesus showed him. Paul felt that he was a perfect example of Jesus' patience toward sinners and his desire to reconcile them with God.

#### **GOSPEL: LUKE 15:1-32**

The Pharisees grew angry because of the Jesus' compassion toward sinners. In response, Jesus tells of a son who squandered his inheritance, then returned to his father and asked to be treated as a hired hand. The father rejoiced, angering his older and more obedient son. The father explained that everything he owned belonged to his older son; but he had to rejoice for the son who was lost and had been found.

# PRAY WITH SCRIPTURE

Monday1 Tm 2:1-8; Lk 7:1-10Tuesday1 Tm 3:1-13; Lk 7:11-17Wednesday1 Tm 3:14-16; Lk 7:31-35Thursday1 Tm 4:12-16; Lk 7:36-50Friday1 Tm 6:2c-12; Lk 8:1-3SaturdayEph 4:1-7, 11-13; Mt 9:9-13

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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.

# VISIT OUR HOMEBOUND PARISHIONERS

We are in need of more Eucharistic ministers to make home visits. A number of our parishioners are home-bound and would like to receive Communion weekly. Help us reach out to our neighbors in need. Share the gift of the Eucharist and community. Please contact Tina Lindberg at 202-362-3323 x15 or lindberg@annunciationdc.org if you can help or have any questions. Thank you!

# **DC Padres**

The DC Padres, a baseball team consisting entirely of Catholic priests and seminarians, will play their first-and-only game on **Sunday**, **September 22** at the Bing Crosby Stadium in Front Royal, VA. The game begins at ~ 5:30 PM. Tickets available at the gate. See www.dcpadres.com or DC Padres Facebook page for details. Let's fill the stadium in support of our priests and seminarians!

# Pastor's Corner

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

Have you thought of what it takes to make a really big change in your life? Let's say you have an addiction to something that is harmful to yourself and to others. What does it take to get it under control so it does no further harm? One of the things needed is a support system, people who will be there for you as you earnestly strive to make a change. When God saw how the newly released Israelites from Egypt had fallen back into old ways He wanted to start over



again with a new people. Moses interceded and reminded God how much he had already invested in this new people. So He relented and strove to love them even more. It often takes family, friends and a support system to help someone turn away from evil ways to the path of truth and life. This is not easy for any of the people involved, and it often takes starting over and over again. God does not give up on us and encourages us not to give up on one another. We often hear that people need to hit "rock bottom" in order to change addictive behavior. "Rock bottom," is not the same for everyone. Compassion and enduring love is what is needed by everyone. Whether you are looking for the lost sheep, coin, or the prodigal child, do not give up. Not only are they being tested but so are we. Give yourself over to the power of the Savior whose love and faithfulness will draw all of us to His kingdom of Truth and Life.

God's peace,

Fr. Mike

# Priesthood Sunday

Priesthood Sunday is September 29th. Please join us for a Holy Hour in Church on September 29th at 4:00 p.m. Come and pray for our Priests, for the Priest who baptized you, for the Priest who hears your confession, for the Priest who celebrates Sunday Mass, for the Priest (Bishop) who Confirmed you. The Church needs you and your prayers now more than ever.



The Downtown Washington Serra Club will host a wine and cheese reception following the Holy Hour from 5:00 to 6:00 in the Parish Center to talk about the purpose of the Serra Club. New members and interested Catholics are welcome to come. For additional information contact Alice Middleton at Cathcap@aol.com

# Men's Discernment Mass & Dinner

On Sunday, October 6, 2019, the Office of Priest Vocations will hold a Men's Discernment Mass at St. Peter's on Capitol Hill. Archbishop Gregory will celebrate Mass at 3:00 p.m. followed by dinner and a discussion of the priesthood with priests, seminarians, and other men from the D.C. area. Men must register to attend at www.DCpriest.org. Please call the Office of Priest Vocations at 202-636-9020 or email Fr. Mark Ivany at vocations@adw.org with any questions.



Consider enrolling in eGiving through Faith Direct so that your gift can reach us even when you cannot.

Visit www.faithdirect.net and use our church code: DC43 or call 866-507-8757 for a registration form.

#### SECOND COLLECTION

September 22 Church Utilities

#### Poor Box

Donations for the month of September will benefit SOME which helps meet the immediate daily needs of the poor and works to break the cycle of homelessness in our city.

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#### SAINT OF THE WEEK



# Cyprian of Carthage

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#### FEAST SEPTEMBER 16

One of the first great theologians in the church, this Latin father is remembered today for his writings, which are quoted in the documents of the Second Vatican Council. A late convert, Thascius Cecilianus Cyprianus was a lawyer, rhetorician and teacher before being chosen by the people and clergy of Carthage, in North Africa, as their bishop. He was drawn into papal controversies and schisms, but he also was known for pastoral zeal and aiding plague victims. Having survived one Roman persecution, he later was beheaded for refusing to participate in state religious ceremonies. He wrote biblical commentary and treatises on church unity and the sacraments. Cyprian is the patron saint of North Africa and Algeria.

**CNS Saints** 

## MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, September 15 – Twenty-Fourth (24th) Sunday in Ordinary Time			
7:30 a.m.	Mellone	Forgotten Souls in Purgatory	In Memory
9:00 a.m.	Antonicelli	Kathryn Blair	In Memory
10:30 a.m.	Berard	Parishioners	Intentions
12:30 p.m.	Fernandez	Lolita Lopez	In Memory
Monday, September 16 – Saint Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs			
8:00 a.m.	Berard	Jorge Alberto ${\mathcal E}$	
		Maria Teresa Duran	In Memory
11:00 a.m.	Mellone	William $\mathcal E$ Marilyn Panke	In Memory
Tuesday, September 17 – Saint Robert Bellarmine, Bishop, Doctor of the Church			
8:00 a.m.	Mellone	Ralph Fleming	In Memory
11:00 a.m.	Berard	Iris Ferrari	In Memory
Wednesday, September 18 – Wednesday of the 24th Week in Ordinary Time			
8:00 a.m.	Mellone	Maria & Giancarlo Grossi	In Memory
11:00 a.m.	Berard	Forgotten Souls in Purgatory	In Memory
Thursday, September 19 – Saint Januarius, Bishop, Martyr			
8:00 a.m.	Marchese	Lucy Cavallo	In Memory
11:00 a.m.	Mellone	Creusa Ramos daSilva	In Memory
Friday, September 20 – Saint Andrew Kim Tae-gŏn, Priest, and			
Paul Chŏng Ha-sang, and Companions, Martyrs			
8:00 a.m.	Marchese	Rolando Castanedo	In Memory
11:00 a.m.	Berard	Rosita Añez deFalla	In Memory
Saturday, September 21 – Saint Matthew, Apostle Evangelist			
9:00 a.m.	Mellone	Margaret Lenahan Griffin	In Memory
5:30 p.m.	Irwin	Lolita Lopez	In Memory
Sunday, September 22 – Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time			
7:30 a.m.	Mellone	Parishioners	Intentions
9:00 a.m.	Berard	Emanuela Santini	In Memory
10:30 a.m.	Antonicelli	David Yockel	In Memory
12:30 p.m.	Mellone	Vocations	Intentions

We can bring Holy Communion to those who are sick or home-bound. Ministers are available to visit any member of Annunciation who cannot attend Sunday Liturgy due to extended health issues or the infirmities of age. Please call Tina Lindberg at 202-362-3323 x 15 or email lindberg@annunciationdc.org. Weekly Eucharist, prayer, fellowship, and sharing news from Annunciation keeps us all in communion as the Body of Christ.

Please continue to pray for all our parishioners who are hospitalized, home-bound, or living in a care facility.

# CATHOLICS IN ACTION (CIA)

Our teen group, Catholics In Action, is in need of adults to chaperone them to various charities on Saturday mornings. Some of the projects involve adults to drive them around so they could deliver groceries to the homebound. Contact Patrice Morace at 202-362-3323 ext. 13 or morace@annunciationdc.org if you're able to help.

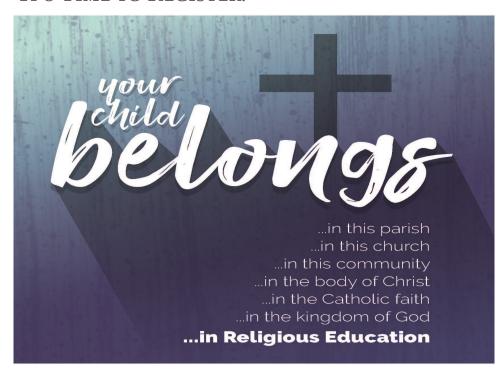


# RCIA (RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION)

Looking to become Catholic or complete your sacraments of Confirmation or First Eucharist? Do you know someone who is interested? Our RCIA program may be the solution. Contact Patrice Morace at 202-362 -3323 ext. 13 or morace@annunciationdc.org.



#### It's Time to Register!



Please register online (www.annunciationdc.org) under the Religious Education tab. We ask that parents plan to attend the Opening Session on September 18. The opening session will be held at Church at 7pm. Contact Patrice Morace at 202.362.3323 ext 13 or morace@annunciationdc.org for more information.

# **FLOCKNOTES**

Want to receive timely information from Father Mike? Join the over 1,300 members already in the know! Sign up for email messages directly at https://AnnunciationCatholicChu



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#### THIS WEEK ...

Sunday, September 15 CLOW 9:00am (PC) Faith Fun 9:30am (PC)

# Tuesday, September 17

Baptism Preparation Class 7:00pm (CR)

#### Wednesday, September 18

Eucharistic Adoration 11:30am (Church) Children's Religious Ed. 7:00pm (Church & School)

#### Thursday, September 19

Choir Rehearsal 7:30am (Church)

# Saturday, September 21 Baptism 10:00am (Church)

#### 2019 Christmas Bazaar Donations



Making room for new things? Consider making a donation to the 2019 Christmas Bazaar! Drop your items off at the parish office, Tuesday-Friday from 10am-2pm. Many thanks!

## ANNUNCIATION YOUNG ADULT EVENTS

Sign up for emails about Young Adult events on our website www.annunciationdc.org

# Volunteers Needed

#### FAITH FORMATION VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Our programs could use a few more adults to share our faith with others. We use a team approach so that the commitment does not exceed 2 to 3 hours on a monthly basis. Kindly take some time to pray and contemplate if God is calling you. Contact Patrice Morace at 202-362-3323 extension 13 or morace@annunciationdc.org to explore if this is the right ministry for you.

# CHILDREN - YOUTH - ADULT

#### CHILDREN'S RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Meets on Wednesday evenings from 7PM to 8:15PM. We have 3 to 4 teachers per grade level so the commitment would be once every three or four weeks for

8 months. All lesson plans have been done for you so it's preparation and presentation. Our program is very experiential and provides lots of opportunities for the children to play games and do activities while learning their faith Help is needed in grade levels 3, 4, 5 and 6.

We also have a few students with special needs who require one on one help. An online program is used for instruction. Adults are needed to walk with them through the program.

#### CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

Our children's liturgy of the word program runs every Sunday at 9AM to 9:30AM. The word of God that we experience at Mass are proclaimed to the children in a way that they can understand and incorporate God into their lives. Resources are provided so it's a question of preparation and presentation.

#### FAITH FUN

This program starts at 9:30AM to 10AM following the children's liturgy of the word program for two to five-year olds in the parish center. It is actually an interactive Bible study, with a verbal introduction followed by activities and games. All materials are provided to make you an expert!

#### ADULT BIBLE STUDY

We run our Bible studies during the day and also the evening. The daytime Bible study meets on Tuesdays at 11:30AM to 12:30PM in the parish center. The evening Bible study meets on Wednesday evenings at 7PM to 8PM at the Parish office conference room.

Both sessions run weekly from September to May. Our first session will be a study of the Gospel of Matthew and then during the Lent and Easter season we will be studying "Meeting Jesus in the Gospel of John." We use video-based materials and all resources are provided including discussion questions.

#### RCIA & RCIC

These programs are for those who want to be become Catholic. Our adult program meets twice a month on a Tuesday from 7PM to 8:30 PM. Our children's program meets on Sunday mornings from 10:30AM to 11:30AM weekly. All lesson plans and resources are provided.

#### LITURGICAL MINISTERS

We always need Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Altar Servers & Arimatheans (adults who help serve at funerals).

#### REFRESHMENT HOSPITALITY

We offer refreshments after the 9AM and 10:30AM Masses. We use teams of people for set up before the 9AM Mass. They replenish before they leave at 10:15AM. The cleanup team starts at noon to 12:30PM. We especially need people to step up for the cleanup portion. The commitment is once a month.



**Gospel Today** 

Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time / Luke 15:1-32

The three parables today show examples of the joy experienced when lost things are found. When even one sinner repents or is "found", Heaven rejoices!

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"I tell you, there will be rejoicing among the angels of God over one sinner who repents."

Luke 15:10

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Did you ever lose something special? Did you find it? How did you feel?

Remember, St. Anthony loves to help us find what we lost. Pray to him...

Tony, Tony, look around -(name lost item) is lost and must be found.

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