#### August 21, 2022

# ANNUNCIATION CATHOLIC CHURCH

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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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#### TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

#### FIRST READING: ISAIAH 66:18-21

Isaiah portrays a time when people from many nations will gather in Jerusalem and proclaim God's glory. God's messengers will teach many nations about God. Just as the Israelites bring offerings, these messengers will bring people from all nations to worship.

#### SECOND READING: HEBREWS 12:5-7, 11-13

The Hebrews are told that God disciplines those he loves. When a parent disciplines a child, the child usually learns what is expected of him. The Hebrews are encouraged to face life's trials as a form of discipline, and attempt to learn something from them.

GOSPEL: LUKE 13:22-30

Jesus warns that the door to God's kingdom will be locked for those who ignored his wishes. Many people will come from all nations and take their place in God's kingdom. Others will not be recognized by God, and he will reject them.

### PRAY WITH SCRIPTURE

Monday 2 Thes 1:1-5, 11-12; Mt 23:13-22 Tuesday 2 Thes 2:1-3a, 14-17; Mt 23:23-26

WednesdayRv 21:9b-14; Jn 1:45-51Thursday1 Cor 1:1-9; Mt 24:42-51Friday1 Cor 1:17-25; Mt 25:1-13Saturday1 Cor 1:26-31; Mt 25:14-30

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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 to meet members of the parish. Please let us know if so we can update our records. reception after Mass you are relocating

## 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.

### 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,

This weekend of August 20/21, we will have a visiting priest, Rev. Urban Osuji, who will speak on the work of the Missionary Daughters of St. Rita. We are reminded that the Catholic Church is Universal and our cooperation in sharing the Good News of our salvation through Jesus Christ. I pray you will be able to support this missionary effort.



As September begins, we will be starting a renewed effort to re-energize the work and groups of the parish. All children who are in non–Catholic Schools from 1<sup>st</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> grade have the opportunity to receive faith formation at Annunciation Catholic Church. Online registration is now open. Please go to the parish website annunciationdc.org or <a href="http://www.annunciationdc.org/childrens-faith-formation.html">http://www.annunciationdc.org/childrens-faith-formation.html</a>, or you may call Andreja Mezek at 202-36-3323 x13. Please let us help you in developing your child's religious faith formation.

We will have a **Book Club** on August 28 beginning at 11 AM in the Parish Center. On September 13 from 7 to 9 PM and September 14 from 8:45 to 11 AM, a new **Bible Study called Walking with Purpose** will begin. If you are interested in caring for the Church Sanctuary and Altar Linens, we will begin a new group called **Sanctuary Society** that will care for and assist in maintaining our Church. We are in need of additional **Altar Servers**; if you are 8 to 80 and wish to serve the Lord at the Altar please contact Fr. Mike. Maybe you hear the Lord calling you to proclaim the **Word of God** or assist in the distribution of **Holy Communion** please contact Tina Lindberg. On the second Sunday of the month, we will have **Coffee and Donuts** after the Sunday Masses. We need parishioners who will help setup, serve, and clean up; please contact Stephanie Lucas at the Parish Office. There are also needs for advisors to the Pastor on the **Finance Council** and **Pastoral Council**, please contact Fr. Mike.

God's word for the 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time helps us to focus on the reality that God freely calls us to participate in His kingdom but it is up to us to respond. The world can distract us from our true goal to be with the Lord in His Kingdom. It is a choice that we must make now and for all time. If we do not choose the Lord, He will give us what we do choose. The Lord will never take away our free will but will always allow us to freely and whole heartily seek first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness.

God's Peace, Fr. Mike



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.



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Visit <u>www.faithdirect.net/DC43</u> or scan the QR code to donate electronically.



#### Poor Box

Donations for the month of August supports IONA Senior Services which helps older adults and their families with the challenges of aging.

#### SAINT OF THE WEEK



#### SAINT MONICA

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#### Memorial-August 27

Born in Tagaste in present-day Algeria, this North African lay woman was given in marriage to Patricius, a Roman pagan. St. Augustine of Hippo, a saint in the making, was their eldest child.

In 383, Monica sought his conversion and followed Augustine to Italy, where she became a follower of St. Ambrose and asked for his intervention with Augustine. Three years later, Augustine was baptized by St. Ambrose. Monica fell ill shortly after and died before their return to Africa. Years before, a bishop had famously counseled her, "It is not possible that the son of so many tears should be lost."

### Mass Intentions

Sunday, Aug	gust 21–Twenty-l	First Sunday in Ordinary Time	
8:00 a.m.	Park	Parishioners Who Have	
		Died of Covid	In Memory
10:00 a.m.	Urban	Parishioners	Intentions
12:00 p.m.	Mellone	Victims & Families of	
		Natural Disasters	Intentions
Monday, Au	ı <b>gust 22</b> –The Que	enship of the Blessed Virgin Mary	
8:00 a.m.	Mellone	Mayra Addison	In Memory
Tuesday, Au	ı <b>gust 23</b> –Saint Ro	ose of Lima, Virgin	
8:00 a.m.	Park	Tom Rukavina	In Memory
Wednesday,	August 24–Sain	t Bartholomew, Apostle	
8:00 a.m.	Mellone	Ed Werner	In Memory
5:30pm	Park	Andrea Clune	In Memory
Thursday, A	ugust 25 — Saint	Louis; Saint Joseph Calasanz; Priest	
8:00 a.m.	Marchese	Dick Coffman	In Memory
Friday, Aug	u <b>st 26</b> –Friday of t	he Twenty-First Week in Ordinary T	ime
8:00 a.m.	Park	Nathan Zahedi	In Memory
Saturday, Aı	u <b>gust 27</b> –Saint N	lonica	
9:00 a.m.	Park	Rolando & Alicia Castaneda	In Memory
5:30 p.m.	Mellone	Vocations	Intentions
Sunday, Aug	gust 28–Twenty-S	Second Sunday in Ordinary Time	
8:00 a.m.	SOSJ	Parishioners	Intentions
10:00 a.m.	Park	Maria Liaw	In Memory
12:00 p.m.	Park	Carole Srodes	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



# VIRTUAL SPIRITUAL RETREATS WITH SPIRITUAL DIRECTION

Our Lady of Bethesda Retreat Center is providing virtual retreats so that you can connect with others and feed your soul. Currently, these programs are being offered at no cost, and a suggested donation of only \$75 per person is greatly appreciated. Click on the link to find more information and upcoming dates. Visit <a href="https://ourladyofbethesda.org/programs/retreats/what-are-spiritual-exercises/virtual-spiritual-exercises-promo">https://ourladyofbethesda.org/programs/retreats/what-are-spiritual-exercises/virtual-spiritual-exercises-promo</a>.



#### IT'S TIME TO REGISTER!

Our faith is a lifelong process of formation and knowledge.

Online registration is now open for our 2022-2023 Catechetical Program year! Register your 1-8 grade child(ren) today.

Religious Education sessions will begin on Wednesday, September 14 at 7pm with opening celebration at Church.

Scan the Code to complete registration.

Contact Andreja Mezek at 202.362.3323 ext 13 or <a href="mezek@annunciationdc.org">mezek@annunciationdc.org</a> for information.



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### **RCIA**

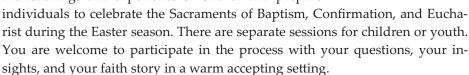
# ARE YOU SOMEONE OR DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO...

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



For information, please contact Andreja Mezek at 202-362-3323 or <u>mezek@annunciationdc.org</u>.



#### ANNUAL UNITY WALK

IFC's annual Unity Walk is a public demonstration of love and support for all who live in our region. Walk with participants of all ages to visit nine different houses of worship and spiritual centers in upper Northwest DC to learn about and experience diverse faith traditions. There will be new opportunities to engage through moderated speed dialogues, family activities, comedy, music, and sharing of tasty cultural treats. Come by yourself or bring friends to celebrate the wonderful diversity that exists in our region! This year's walk will take place on Sunday, September 11th from 1:30-6pm Registration Link: https://ifcmw.org/unitywalk/.

#### THIS WEEK ...

Sunday, August 21 CLOW 10:00am (PC)

#### Wednesday, August 24

Mass 5:30pm (Church) Eucharistic Adoration 6:00pm (Church)

**Thursday, August 25** Contemplative Prayer 6:20pm (Zoom)

Saturday, August 27 Confession 4:15pm (Church)



AARP DC is recruiting Volunteer Ward Liaisons, including 2-3 for Ward 3. These advocates help raise awareness about issues that matter to older adults, such as nutrition access, housing affordability and the cost of prescription drugs.

Ward liaisons represent the city ward they live in and share the concerns of older adults in their community with the AARP District of Columbia office.

Ward liaisons may also be asked to testify before the DC Council, attend community meetings and disseminate AARP resources. Training is provided to all volunteers. To learn more, email <a href="mailto:bkitt@aarp.org">bkitt@aarp.org</a> or call 202-434-7703.

## 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.

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# 21st National Conference for Catholic Singles

September 16th-18th, 2022 - join hundreds of single Catholics from across the country (and beyond!) at the 21st National Conference for Single Catholics at the Westfields Marriott in Chantilly, VA (DC Metro Area). The weekend includes talks by dynamic speakers, music, social events, Mass, adoration, opportunities



for confession, fellowship, food and more. Register between July 5th and July 25th with this promo code (PARISH22) to get \$100 off the general admission! Discount limited to the first 50 people nationwide to use this code. Visit www.NationalCatholicSingles.com for more information and to register. (Can't find your question answered on the website? Call 512-766-5798.)

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### 2022 BETHANY BEACH RETREAT

FOR SINGLE ADULT CATHOLICS – 23rd Annual Bethany Beach Retreat/ Vacation in Delaware, Labor Day weekend/week Sep. 3 – 10, 2022 Very low prices (weekend or whole week): \$340 men; \$320 women (if paid by 8/15/22) – +\$20 after. **All meals**, beach chairs, tennis included. Space is limited. Mass daily with Fr. T. Morrow. Holy Hour avail. daily. Send Payment to St. Catherine Society, St. Raphael Church, 1590 Kimblewick Rd., Rockville, MD 20854. For more info contact Fr. T. Morrow at <a href="mailto:morrowt@adw.org">morrowt@adw.org</a>. Pay online at <a href="https://www.paypal.com/biz/fund?id=AJLD5F4VY43NE">https://www.paypal.com/biz/fund?id=AJLD5F4VY43NE</a>



## **Gospel Today**

#### Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time | Luke 13:22-30

Our task on earth is to be true disciples of Christ. Jesus knows living His Word is not easy and takes great strength. He describes the entrance to the Kingdom as a narrow door or gate that only some will get through.

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# SWEET AS HONEY



# ANNUNCIATION BOOK CLUB



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ALL ARE WELCOME!

Let's gather together and discuss *Eucharist* by Bishop Robert Barron.

About the book (from the dust jacket):

For many 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. But the truth of what is made present on the altar, and what the faithful dare to receive into their bodies and souls, is far more strange and beautiful.

In this engaging theological treatise, Bishop Robert Barron offers a reintroduction to the ancient meaning and power of the Eucharist. Through a threefold analysis of the Eucharist as sacred meal, sacrifice, and Real Presence—distinct but tightly interwoven motifs grounded in scripture—Bishop Barron draws readers into 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." We are not merely invited to remember Jesus or imitate his moral example; we are invited to the grace of communion—and ultimately, to the realm of God—by eating and drinking the veery self that he offers in sacrifice.

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

SUNDAY, AUGUST 28TH @11AM
IN THE PARISH CENTER



# PICK OF THE WEEK

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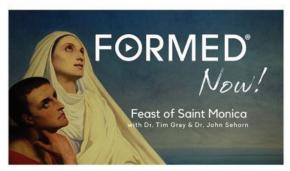
#### INTO THE BREACH - EPISODE 3: LEADERSHIP

Among many other things, Pope St. Gregory the Great is known for his incredible pastoral presence and servant leadership. In honor of this magnanimous Saint, enjoy this episode of Into the Breach! Although primarily targeted at men, this video and its emphasis on service will be fruitful to anyone who desires sanctity and self-mastery!



# LEARN

#### FORMED NOW: THE FEAST OF SAINT MONICA

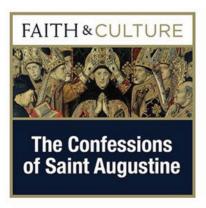


Throughout her life, St. Monica constantly prayed for the conversion of Augustine, her beloved son. In a moment of desperation, she even asked for the bishop's help. In response, he said, "the son of those tears surely will not perish." Truly, as this bishop remarked, Monica's tearful prayers helped build her son into the Doctor of Grace. In this video, join Dr. Gray and Dr. Sehorn as they discuss more about this great Saint.

# LISTEN

# THE FAITH AND CULTURE PODCAST: THE CONFESSIONS OF ST. AUGUSTINE

In this episode of the Faith and Culture podcast, Joseph Pearce and Dr. John Sehorn discuss the most towering Church Father of the West, St. Augustine. Together, Peace and Sehorn describe the purpose of Augustine's Confessions, the relatability of this Saint, and his impact on the world in his own time and culture. Finally, they discuss what we can learn from Augustine today.



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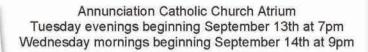
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#### Opening Your Heart: The Starting Point

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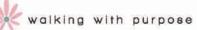
- · How do I get my priorities in order?
- I've been going through the motions in my spiritual life—how does it relate to my day-to-day life?
- · How do I get to know Christ in a personal way?



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