



# Annunciation Catholic Church

+ *Be it done to me according to your Word* +

## Mass Schedule

### Mass Times

Saturday.....(Vigil) 5:30pm

Sunday.....8am, 10am, 12pm

### Daily Mass

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

**March 5, 2023**

**Second Sunday of Lent**

### Order of Worship

Mass Readings – Worship 1030

Entrance Hymn – Worship 881

Offertory Hymn – Worship 880

Communion Hymn – Worship 585

Closing Hymn – Worship 467

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## Parish Announcements

Today's second collection supports our school.

Stations of the Cross will take place on Fridays at 7pm in the Church.

Our parish Lenten Retreat will be on Saturday, March 11. Please see the enclosed flyer.

Please join us for coffee and donuts after the Sunday Masses.

Iona Senior Services Representative Pleasance Silicki will join us at the coffee hour following the 10am and 12pm Masses next week for a meet and greet. Stop by to say hello and find out how Iona can help you!

## 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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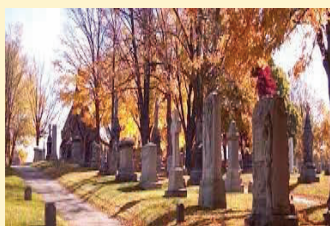
## Sacramental Celebrations



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,



We are well into the season of Lent, and it may be a good time to reflect on how we are progressing. Remember the hinges of Lent: prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. These practices work together to bring us closer to the Lord and enable us to serve our neighbor. Please remain committed to doing your best and know the Lord is blessing your every effort. It is also a good time to celebrate the Sacrament of Penance (Confession or Reconciliation). We celebrate this sacrament on Wednesday evenings from 6:00pm to 6:45pm and on Saturdays from 4:15pm to 5:15pm, or you can make an appointment with one of the priests by calling the parish office.

The Second Sunday of Lent is traditionally where we read the Transfiguration of Jesus. It may seem out of place during this penitential season, but it may have come from the ancient tradition that the Transfiguration of Jesus took place 40 days before Good Friday. It is also a wonderful reminder that life and immortality will rob death of its power. God's love for us can and does transform us into a people who strive to live like Christ as a member of His body.

If you have not signed up for International Night on March 25, I encourage to do so as soon as possible for there are a limited number of spaces available. It will be the opening of our 75<sup>th</sup> Year Anniversary.

God's Peace,  
Fr. Mike

Mass Intentions	What's Happening This Week?
<b>Sunday, March 5</b> 8am + Catherine Lietard Mellone 10am Parishioners Park 12pm +Antonio Pereira Morais Park	<b>Sunday, March 5</b> CLOW, 10:00am (PC)
<b>Monday, March 6</b> 8am Peace in Ukraine Mellone	<b>Tuesday, March 7</b> Walking With Purpose, 7:00pm (Atrium) Men's Group, 7:00pm (PC)
<b>Tuesday, March 7</b> 8am +Virginia Gutierrez Park	<b>Wednesday, March 8</b> Walking With Purpose, 8:45am (Atrium) Mass, 5:30pm (Church) Eucharistic Adoration & Confession, 6:00pm (Church) CCD, 7:00pm (School)
<b>Wednesday, March 8</b> 8am Thomas Whalen Park 5:30pm +Scott Simontis Mellone	<b>Thursday, March 9</b> Contemplative Prayer, 6:20pm (Zoom) Choir Rehearsal, 7:30pm (Church)
<b>Thursday, March 9</b> 8am +Benjie Byers Mellone	<b>Friday, March 10</b> Stations of the Cross, 7:00pm (Church)
<b>Friday, March 10</b> 8am Those Imprisoned Unjustly Park	<b>Saturday, March 11</b> Lenten Retreat, 9:00am (Church)
<b>Saturday, March 11</b> 9am Victims of Domestic Violence Mellone 5:30pm Pope Francis' 10th Anniversary Park	
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# 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 still accepting donations for our Christmas in July bazaar on July 14-July 16.

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 March will benefit Martha's Table which operates nationally accredited education programs beginning at birth; fights for food justice and increases access to healthy meals and fresh produce for over 15,000 residents; and promotes family success through their no-cost community store and engagement programs

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## PARISH LIFE



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Meetings take place on Tuesdays from 7-8:30pm and  
Wednesdays from 9-10:30am in the Atrium.

Contact Sue Lohsen at [sue@lohse.com](mailto:sue@lohse.com) for more info.

## Young Adults & Young Couples

To our younger members of the parish, we want to offer opportunities through prayer, service and friendship to help you live out your faith in a challenging culture. Interested? Email Megan Prybyl: [mprybyl23@gmail.com](mailto:mprybyl23@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



With Endow, women encounter their identity as daughters of God helping them to grow in their faith. Meetings take place every Wednesday 7:15-8:30pm in the Atrium.

Contact Tina Lindberg 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!

Every Tuesday 7:00-8:15pm in the Parish Center

Contact Andy Harms for more info:  
[andrew.j.harms@gmail.com](mailto:andrew.j.harms@gmail.com)

## BOOK CLUB

### Book of the Month

We will meet on Sunday,  
**March 26th at 11am** in the  
Parish Center.

For more info contact  
Tina Lindberg at  
[lindberg@annunciationdc.org](mailto:lindberg@annunciationdc.org)



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

**- Mt 28:19**

### Now Collecting Treasures for Our Summer Bazaar!

**Donate: Jewelry, Attic Treasures, Art, Home & Kitchen Goods,  
Handbags & Scarves, Seasonal/Christmas, Office, Gadgetry,  
Toys & Sporting Goods**

**Please—no DVDs, CDs, clothing or books!**

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

# LENT 2023

## Eucharistic Adoration

- Wednesdays of Lent | 6:00pm-6:45pm

## Stations of the Cross

- Fridays of Lent | 7pm

## Confessions

- Wednesdays | 6:00pm-6:45pm
  - Saturdays | 4:15pm - 5:15pm
- By appointment | call the rectory office at 202-362-3323



## Lenten Retreat

Saturday, March 11, 2023 | 9:00am – 12:00pm  
From Worry to Wonder presented by Melissa Overmyer

## Lenten Giving

Lenten Food Drive with the John S. Mulholland Family Foundation  
Saturday, March 18– Sunday, March 19

## Lenten Fast and Abstinence Guidelines

All Catholics from their 14th birthday until and including their 59th birthday are obliged to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. One full meal is allowed on the days of fast. Two other meatless meals, sufficient to maintain strength, are allowed. Together the two meals should not exceed the full meal. Drinking of ordinary liquids does not break the fast. Catholics over the age of 14 are obliged to abstain from meat on Good Friday and the Fridays of Lent.

## PARISH DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS OUTREACH TEAM

Parishioners are invited to join the Catholic Charities Domestic Violence Outreach Team. Come and save lives! The team brings helpful and lifesaving information to parish groups to raise awareness about domestic violence and community resources that can help families. Using provided curriculum and training, volunteers will prepare and present short presentations to parish groups virtually or in-person during the year to raise awareness and help families know community resources available to help families suffering domestic abuse. Catholic Charities supports and assist presentations. For more information contact [Laura.YeomansDV@CC-DC.org](mailto:Laura.YeomansDV@CC-DC.org), (301) 247-7926. To apply click [Parish Domestic Violence Awareness Outreach Volunteer](#). Applications are due by March 10th.

## **ANNUAL LENTEN FOOD AND SUPPLY DRIVE**

### **MARCH 18TH AND 19TH**

Please help us help the working poor of the District through the Mulholland Family Foundation to benefit Inner City Washington Food Pantries at St. Thomas More, St. Vincent de Paul, Holy Name, St. Luke, and St. Francis Xavier with the most needed items:

- **Canned Tuna or Chicken**
- **Dry Cereal (Cheerios or other cereal low in sugar)**
- **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!)**

**Cash donations and Grocery Gift Cards always welcome!**

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**SUNDAY, MARCH 20TH FROM 10AM-1PM**

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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Cardinal Gregory has asked that I share the following letter with you. I am a member of the Presbyteral Council and have spoken in favor of resuming the distribution of the Precious Blood of Christ at Mass. It is my thought that we do this on a limited basis and precede this practice with educational material on the meaning and importance of reception of Holy Communion. I am open to receive your thoughts and comments regarding the following letter.

Thank You, Fr. Mike

*Dear Monsignor/Father,*

*The distribution of the Precious Blood was suspended in the Archdiocese during the Covid-19 pandemic. This was to ensure that the reception of Holy Communion under the species of wine would not in itself present a danger.*

*The character of the pandemic has changed, and the concern that prompted this particular precaution nearly three years ago has diminished. So, having received advice from the Presbyteral Council and from medical experts, I have decided to remove the restriction on the distribution of the Precious Blood, effective Holy Thursday, April 6, 2023.*

*Individual pastors, administrators, and chaplains, after appropriate consultation with those they serve, are free to determine if this option is appropriate for their communities as well as what the appropriate timeframe for reintroducing the Precious Blood may be.*

*At the same time, it is my fervent desire that this year, at the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday, the Precious Blood be made available to communicants, who are always free to receive or not. However, the pastor or administrator or chaplain may also refrain from exercising this option if he prudently discerns that this cannot be done for a particular reason.*

*Our participation in the Mass appropriately culminates in our reception of Holy Communion if we are properly disposed; and fittingly, the reception of Holy Communion includes the reception of the Precious Blood. I am grateful that now, under God's providence, we are all able to receive the Precious Blood once again, and I urge everyone to make use of this great gift in their own celebration and reception of the Most Holy Eucharist.*

*With every prayerful wish for a fruitful Lent, a joyful Easter, and a renewed life in the Eucharist year-round, I am*

*Fraternally yours in Christ,*

✠Wilton Cardinal Gregory,  
Archbishop of Washington

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On the mountain Jesus is Transfigured and appears with Moses and Elijah, who in the old testament both remind the people to "Obey God". Jesus tells Peter, James and John to believe and obey Him and keep this vision a secret until the resurrection.

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# Believe... Obey God



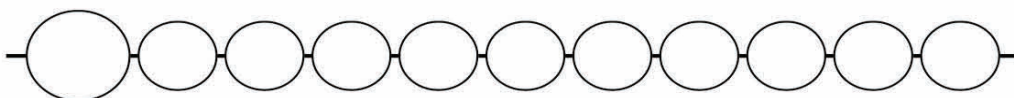
Unscramble the letters and fill in the blanks to complete the sentence below.

"This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased.

\_\_\_\_\_ to him!" *Matthew 17:5*

## The Second Sorrowful Mystery - The Scouring at the Pillar

Think about this mystery before praying.  
Jesus obeyed His Father and suffered for  
our sins.



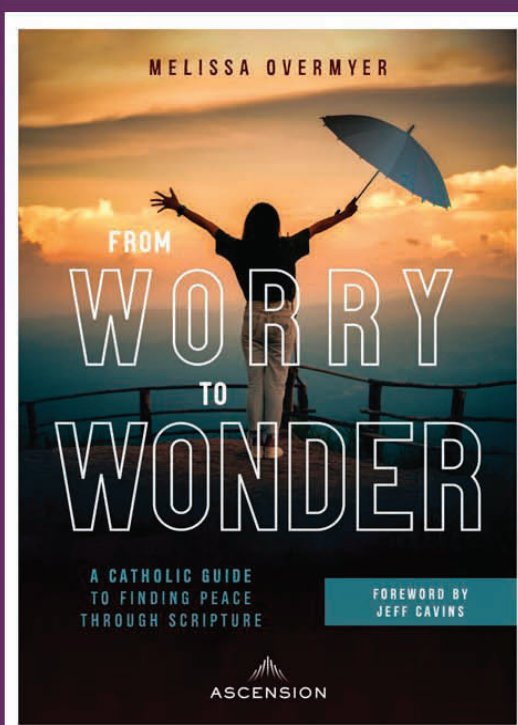
**This week:** Say an Our Father and color the large bead - say 10 Hail Mary's and color each small bead. End with the Glory Be to the Father. Tell Jesus you are sorry for your sins.

# Lenten Retreat—Prayer & Study

Saturday, March 11, 2023 | 9:00am—12:00pm

## From Worry to Wonder: A Catholic Guide to Finding Peace Through Scripture

presented by  
**Melissa Overmyer**



Even though Catholics know God is all-powerful, worries and negative thoughts can still threaten one's peace of mind. Melissa Overmyer offers inspiration and practical tips to **remember God's love and power, no matter the circumstances.**

*Now is the perfect time to grow in trust of God's plan!*

**Steeped in Scripture,** *From Worry to Wonder* helps Catholics look to the timeless guidance of God's Word to let go of worry and embrace awe in the Lord.

Books will be available for purchase.

Please let us know you will be joining us!  
Contact Tina Lindberg at  
[lindberg@annunciationdc.org](mailto:lindberg@annunciationdc.org) or

### Schedule of Events

9am—Mass  
9:30-10:30am—Adoration  
10:30-11am—Coffee & Conversation  
11-11:40am—Melissa Overmeyer  
11:40am-12pm—Q & A



# Annunciation Catholic Church

To celebrate our parish feast day during its 75th Anniversary, join your fellow parishioners for an evening of culinary delights from around the world!

## INTERNATIONAL NIGHT POTLUCK DINNER

**P A R I S H C E N T E R**  
Saturday, March 25, 2023  
6:30-8:30 - After 5:30 Mass



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