

#### 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+

# May 21, 2023 The Ascension of the Lord

Order of Worship
Mass Readings — Worship 1094
Entrance Hymn — Worship 529
Offertory Hymn — Worship 530
Communion Hymn — Worship 790
Closing Hymn — Worship 532

#### **Parish Announcements**

Today's second collection supports funding for our church utilities.

There will be coffee and donuts after the 8:00am & 10:00am Sunday Masses.

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 Contact (202) 362-3323 parish@annunciationdc.org

Msgr. Michael Mellone Pastor mellone@annunciationdc.org

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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,

In most Dioceses throughout the United States, including ours, the Ascension of the Lord is celebrated on the 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter, which allows more people to attend this Holy Day of Obligation. Still, most Dioceses throughout the world celebrate Ascension Thursday, 40 days of the contest throughout the world celebrate Ascension Thursday, 40 days of the contest throughout the world celebrate Ascension Thursday, 40 days of the contest throughout the world celebrate Ascension Thursday, 40 days of the contest throughout the world celebrate throughout the contest throughout throughout the contest throughout the co

oceses throughout the world celebrate Ascension Thursday 40 days after Easter.

On this Sunday, May 21st, we hear the great commission of the Lord to go and make disciples of all nations through the means of baptism and teaching them to observe all that he has commanded. Jesus makes the promise that he will be with His Church always. Here we are over 2000 years later still following His commands, believing and trusting in His words to us. Please share the gift of faith you have received with another so they may come to know God's love for them.

On June 11th, Corpus Christi, we will have a Eucharistic Procession following the 10:00am Mass. At the Noon Mass, Bishop Juan Esposito will celebrate our 75th Anniversary Mass. Following this Mass we will have a parish picnic. Please pray for good weather and come and join in these festivities.

God's Peace, Fr. Mike

Sunday, May 21 8am Parishioners Park CLOW, 10:00am (PC)	PC)
10am	7:00pm (Atrium)  8:45am (Atrium)  8 Confession, 6:00pm (Church)  m)  6:20pm (Zoom) om (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 still accepting donations for our Bazaar on July 14-July 16.

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





#### **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@lohsen.com for more info.

## MEN'S GROUP

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

Tuesdays from 7-8:15pm in the Parish Center Contact Andy Harms for more info: andrew.j.harms@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.

#### 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 or 202-362-3323 x15 to schedule a drop-off

## **BOOK CLUB**

Book of the Month

We will meet on Sunday,
May 21st 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 <a href="mailto:asiegfriedt@gmail.com">asiegfriedt@gmail.com</a>.

### 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.



# Annunciation





75th Anniversary

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Rejoice, So Highly Favored!

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

#### Sunday, June 11th

12:00pm Mass of Celebration Commemorating our 75th anniversary

1:00pm Picnic Reception (food, fun and kids games)

Saturday, October 7th

6:30pm 75th Annunciation Parish Anniversary Dinner Gala

If you're interested in volunteering at either event or would like to be involved in planning our 75th anniversary celebrations, please email us at 75anniversary@annunicationdc.org.

#### **PASTORAL COUNCIL SEEKS NEW MEMBERS**

The Pastoral Council, which is a consultative body helping the Pastor in shepherding the parish, understanding its needs, and identifying areas for growth, seeks new members. If you're interested or would like to learn more, please speak with Monsignor Mellone or email Pastoral Council Chairman John Gay at johnallengay@gmail.com.



#### **DONATE READING GLASSES!**

The June mission trip to St. Paul's Clinic in Honduras will have a vision focus for seniors. All strengths, assorted colors and shapes are welcome! Please leave your new or gently-used readers in the basket at the back of the church.

Deadline: Sunday, May 28th



Thank you for your support!

### CATHOLIC COMMUNICATION CAMPAIGN | SECOND COLLECTION

On the weekend of May 27-28, many Catholic dioceses will take up a special collection in their parishes for the Catholic Communication Campaign, which helps to spread the Gospel through print, radio, television, websites, and social media. Funds raised in this campaign support the national media efforts of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB), the media outreach efforts of local dioceses across the United States, and communications initiatives in countries throughout the developing world. When you participate in the collection, your help supports the production of popular features such as <u>video reflections</u> on the Bible readings of the day and the weekly <u>Catholic</u> Current news show and podcast.

Thank you for prayerfully considering a gift to the Catholic Communication Campaign at Mass or through your e-offertory program on May 27-28. <u>#iGiveCatholicTogether</u> also accepts funds for the collection.

## **BLESSING OF THE BELLS**

We had a wonderful service of the Blessings of the Bells this past Sunday. The McShane Company arrived on Monday and began placing the bells in the tower.













### HOLY HOUR FOR VOCATIONS | WEDNESDAY, JUNE 7, 2023

Join your fellow parishioners in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament at the "Holy Hour for those to be ordained priests" and an increase in vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life on Wednesday, June 7 at 6:00pm.

Unite with parishes throughout The Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Washington as we anticipate the ordination of six future priests on Saturday, June 17. This year's ordinandi are

For the priesthood—

Dcn. Martin Joseph Begley

Dcn. Taylor Gregory Colwell

Dcn. John Francis Lado

Dcn. Juan Pablo Noboa

Dcn. Pablo Andres Villa Jaramillo

Dcn. Vincent Tinh Vu

"The harvest is abundant but the laborers are few; so ask the master of the harvest to send out laborers for his harvest." Mt 9:37–38

"Every vocation, every path to which Christ calls us, ultimately leads to fulfillment and happiness, because it leads to God, to sharing in God's own life."—Saint John Paul II



#### **VOLUNTEER WITH CATHOLIC CHARITIES**

Catholic Charities ADW is seeking volunteers for many different projects this summer! Here are some ways you can get involved, both individually and with a group:

**St. Maria's Meals is back!** Every Tuesday in Temple Hills and Wednesday in downtown DC, Catholic Charities volunteers and staff members provide individuals and families with hot meals. Sign up on our event calendar: <a href="https://www.catholiccharitiesdc.org/volunteercalendar/">https://www.catholiccharitiesdc.org/volunteercalendar/</a>

**Food Distributions**: Throughout the summer, we will help deliver food <u>items</u> at St. Bernard in Riverdale, MD every other Tuesday. Learn more and sign up on our event calendar!

Prepare and deliver a meal for 20 people at Dorothy Day Place in Rockville, any night of the week! Signing up to cook a meal helps staff focus on other priorities such as clinical work and employment services: <a href="http://bttr.im/80hmc">http://bttr.im/80hmc</a>

You can learn more on our Volunteer Homepage: <a href="https://www.catholiccharitiesdc.org/volunteer/">https://www.catholiccharitiesdc.org/volunteer/</a>

## PRAYER LINE | SETON SHRINE

Are you in need of prayer? Is someone you know lonely or overwhelmed? Call the Seton Shrine Prayer Line toll free at 1-866-202-4934! Staff will be ready to take your call Mon-Fri 10am - 5pm and pray with you.



Cycle A



#### Gospel Today | The Ascension of the Lord | Mt 28:16-20

Following the Resurrection, and before Jesus' Ascension into Heaven, He met with His eleven disciples on the mountain in Galilee. There, Jesus commissioned (gave permission to) His disciples to go out and teach The Commandments and baptize the new followers, "In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit."

"And behold. I am with you always, until the end of the age."

-Mt 28:20







Great

## BIBLE WORD SEARCH

Find all the words... left, right, up, down or diagonally.



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#### GRIEF SUPPORT WORKSHOP | OUR LADY OF VICTORY

If you are grieving the death of a loved one, please join us for a 6-week Grief Support Workshop, on Wednesday evenings beginning May 17 at Our Lady of Victory Parish, 4835 MacArthur Blvd., NW, Washington DC. Together, we will explore the grieving process and consider the spiritual elements of grief and healing grounded in Christian hope. Registration is required. Please contact Pastoral Associate, Patrice Fitzpatrick, at OLVparishPA@gmail.com or 202-337-4835 ext. 105 for more information and to register. If there is interest, a morning session may be added.

Wednesdays, May 17 through June 21 6:30 pm - 7:45 pm Our Lady of Victory Rectory



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