

#### 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+

# July 23, 2023 Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Order of Worship

Worship 1154
Entrance Hymn – Worship 858
Responsorial Psalm
"Lord, you are good and forgiving."
Offertory Hymn – Worship 722
Communion Hymn – Worship 663
Closing Hymn – Worship 597

#### **Parish Announcements**

Our second collection supports our religious education program.

A funeral for George Omas will be on Saturday, July 29th at 11am.

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

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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,

We recently received noticed of the Dominican Rosary Pilgrimage. It is a full -day event celebrating the Rosary at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the

Immaculate Conception in Washington DC. It will be held on September 30, 2023. This event will include conferences on the Rosary, several hours of Eucharistic Adoration and Confessions, a recitation of the Rosary and Mass in the Upper Church, and Eucharistic Procession. Everyone is invited to pray the Rosary daily but especially on the 30th of each month. Prayer cards are available at the doors of the church. There is more information available at the website rosarypilgrimage.org.

The Lord shares with His disciples several parables. These relate how a follower of Jesus is to live in the world. A Christian must be deeply committed to follow the Lord and all His commands. This Christian will encounter evil but not give in to it. We are given the seeds of faith and should strive to nourish our faith. By living the Beatitudes, obeying the Commandments, and practicing the Corporal and Spiritual works of Mercy, the gift of faith will increase. We will be able to share the Good News and our brothers and sisters will reap the benefits of a just and merciful God.

God's Peace, Fr. Mike

Mass Intentions		What's Happening This Week?
Sunday, July 23  8am Parishioners 10am †Yolanda Irula 12pm †Lou Rabil  Monday, July 24  8am †Ivan J. Zakarija  Tuesday, July 25  8am †Pope Benedict XVI  Wednesday, July 26  8am †Souls in Purgatory 5:30pm †Deceased Priest of A  Thursday, July 27  8am Consecrated Religious  Friday, July 28  8am Catechists  Saturday, July 29  9am †Brothers & Sisters		Sunday, July 23 CLOW, 10:00am (Atrium)  Wednesday, July 26  Mass, 5:30pm (Church) Eucharistic Adoration & Confession, 6:00pm (Church)  Thursday, July 27 Contemplative Prayer, 6:20pm (Zoom)  Saturday, July 29 Funeral—George Omas, 11:00am (Church) Confessions, 4:15pm (Church)
5:30pm Vocations	Park	

## **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 no longer accepting donations for our Summer Bazaar.

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 July supports IONA Senior Services which helps older adults and their families with the challenges of aging.





### **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 to me according to Your Word!

Tuesdays from 7-8:15pm in the Parish Center Contact Daniel Danello for more info: 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



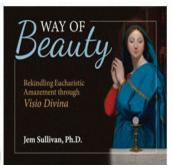
With Endow, women encounter their identity as daughters of God helping them to grow in their faith. Meetings take place every Wednesday 7:15-8:30pm in the Atrium.

# **BOOK CLUB**

### **Book of the Month**

We will meet on Sunday, **August 27th at 11am** in the Parish Atrium.

For more info contact Tina Lindberg at lindberg@annunciationdc.org



# 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.



# 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.

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

- Mt 28:19



# Annunciation





75th Anniversary



Rejoice, So Highly Favored!

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

#### Saturday, October 7th

6:30pm 75th Annunciation Parish Anniversary Dinner Gala

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

#### TO OUR SUMMER BAZAAR VOLUNTEERS

A heartfelt thank you for your hard work on our Summer Bazaar. It was a huge success! I'd like to share a few comments from our customers:



- the items available for sale are always fascinating and of good taste; thank you for all the work that goes into this sale
- Always a pleasure to shop at one of your Bazaars.
   So organized and GREAT volunteers-sooo helpful!
   Add coffee and sweets-we would def but can't!
- You feel part of the family.

You are a blessing to Annunciation! Enjoy the rest of the summer! Tina

# **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.



# 148TH ANNUAL BARBECUE CHICKEN DINNER AND FAIR

St. Mary's in Barnesville cordially invites all to join in their 148<sup>th</sup> Annual Chicken Dinner and Jousting Tournament on Saturday, July 29<sup>th</sup> from Noon to 6 pm, or until sold out. Meals are \$20, available as carry-outs or for outdoor dining. Good food is the focal point of the picnic. There is a Jousting Tournament from 1 - 4 pm, which is free to spectators. There will also be a snack bar, baked goods, cake-wheel, crafts, country store, white elephant stand, live music of "Sookey Jump". Mass will be offered in our shrine church at 4pm. St. Mary's Church is located at 18230 Barnesville Road. For more information call 301-972-8660. Please come and enjoy an afternoon in the country.



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## CATHOLIC CHARITIES LEGAL NETWORK SEEKS VOLUNTEER LAWYERS

Catholic Charities Legal Network counsels and provides legal representation to low-income and poor residents throughout the Archdiocese of Washington, D.C. and relies heavily on volunteer lawyers to fulfill its mission. If you are a lawyer in active status who wants to make a real difference in the lives of families and individuals struggling in our community, please reach out to Dan Collopy at (301) 615 -0949 or <a href="mailto:daniel.collopy@cc-dc.org">daniel.collopy@cc-dc.org</a> to discuss how you can help. The Legal Network handles most civil practice areas and criminal expungements.

# RETREAT FOR GRIEVING PARENTS

The Office of Family Life with St. John Neumann will be offering a Retreat for Grieving Parents on Saturday, September 16 from 9:30am - 7:00pm. If you are grieving the loss of a child, no matter how old the child is or how long ago the child passed, we invite you to attend this retreat. We will focus on the spirituality of the grieving process to help you as you grieve the loss of your child.

This one-day retreat, offered by the Archdiocese of Washington Office of Family Life and the Emmaus Ministry, will give you the opportunity to be with others who have also lost a child. It will take place from 9:30am - 7:00pm at St. John Neumann Parish, 9000 Warfield Rd, Gaithersburg, MD 20882.

Saturday will be a very special time for you to focus on your specific spiritual journey in grieving the loss of your child's earthly presence. While we have a general schedule of events for the program, please know that you will not be required to attend any of the activities, and you will not be forced to share any information you are not comfortable sharing. Many people participate by listening.

Click <u>here</u> for the link for registration. For more information, contact the Office of Family Life at flm@adw.org or 301-853-4546.



# Gospel Today | 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time | Mt 13:24-43

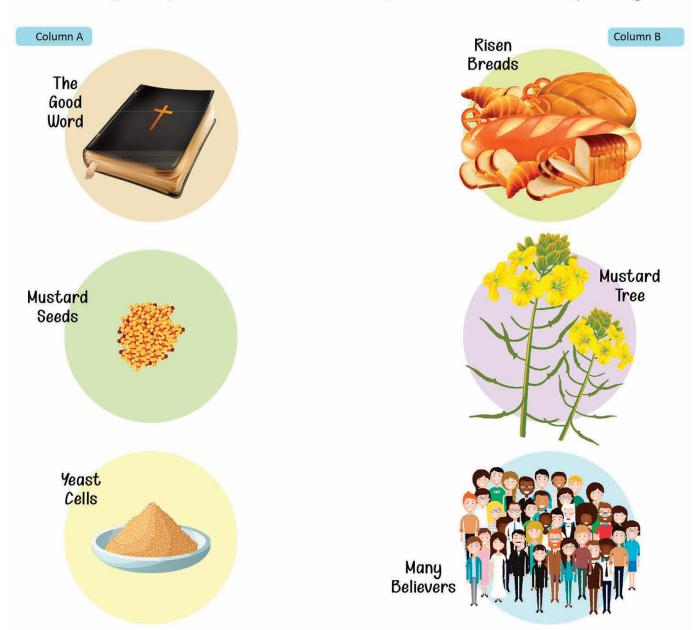
Jesus tells us the Good Word grows within us, as the yeast grows within the dough – quietly and unseen, with great results!

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#### JESUS' PARABLES SHOW

# Small beginnings become marvelous expansions

Draw a line from Column A to Column B to match the "Seeds of Faith" to the "Expanded Kingdom."



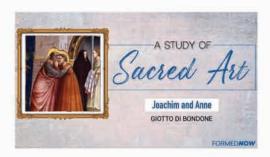
## Parent / Child Activity

Watch a seed sprout - Take a clear cup and line it with a wet paper towel. Put a dried, uncooked seed between the paper and cup. Keep wet and in the sun. Watch what happens! (try watermelon seeds dried for one week)



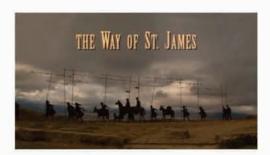


# Week of July 23, 2023



# Sts. Joachim and Anne | Sacred Art

In this episode on FORMED Now, Dr. Ben Akers and Taylor Kemp discuss the parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary in this famous painting "Joachim and Anne Meeting at the Golden Gate."



# The Way of Saint James

This documentary follows the journey of several pilgrims who differ in culture and religious faith but are united in their journey across the Camino de Santiago. Each of them is traveling toward the shrine of St. James the Apostle, whose feast day we celebrate this week.



# Catholic Parenting Tips w/ Catholic Sprouts | FORMED Now

Join Taylor Kemp and Nancy Bandzuch, who founded Catholic Sprouts alongside her husband Bill, for tips for raising Catholic children!

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# For high-school age young men—

# **QUO VADIS CAMP 2023**

# July 23-26, 2023

Mount Saint Mary's Seminary, Emmitsburg, Md.

Run by priests and seminarians of the Archdiocese of Washington, **Quo Vadis Camp** includes Mass, great talks, sports, Eucharistic Adoration, games, food, and time to relax with other young men discerning God's will in their life.

Register now at https://dcpriest.org/2023-quo-vadis-camp.





For more information, please ask your parish priest or contact Father Mark Ivany, Director of Priest Vocations, Archdiocese of Washington. vocations@adw.org 202-636-9020







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