

August 28, 2022

# ANNUNCIATION CATHOLIC CHURCH

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William T. Maksymiec

**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-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**FIRST READING: SIRACH 3:17-18, 20, 28-29**

Those who are humble will find favor with God. Everyone should realize that there is much we can learn from each other. Even the most knowledgeable people need to be humble enough to know that they can still learn from others.

**SECOND READING: HEBREWS 12:18-19, 22-24a**

The Hebrews are informed that they are not approaching an untouchable mountain etched with gloom and fear. Rather, they have neared "the city of the living God, Jerusalem." The Hebrews have approached a joyful gathering of angels, God our judge, and Jesus, who brought us a new covenant.

**GOSPEL: LUKE 14:1, 7-14**

Jesus went to share a meal with one of the leading Pharisees when he noticed other guests competing for places of honor at the table. He warned that a guest who takes the place of honor may be asked to move to the lowest place. Yet a guest who takes the lowest place is honored when a better position is offered by their host. He then added, "He who humbles himself will be exalted."

## PRAY WITH SCRIPTURE

<b>Monday</b>	1 Cor 2:1-5; Mk 6:17-29
<b>Tuesday</b>	1 Cor 2:10b-16; Lk 4:31-37
<b>Wednesday</b>	1 Cor 3:1-9; Lk 4:38-44
<b>Thursday</b>	1 Cor 3:18-23; Lk 5:1-11
<b>First Friday</b>	1 Cor 4:1-5; Lk 5:33-39
<b>First Saturday</b>	1 Cor 4:6b-15; Lk 6:1-5

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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](http://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.

**ANOIDING 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?

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## 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,

Our Lord invites us to live a life of humility. He tells the parable of people who take the first seats at a banquet and then are asked to give up that seat for someone else and the first man needs take a seat in the back. Many Catholics often take the back seats in Church and sometimes refuse to move up even when invited to do so. I often wonder why some Catholics do not fill up the seats in the front first and leave the back seats to those who may come later. If you are a parishioner who has this practice, please come and tell me why this appeals to you.



The virtue of humility is a combination of truthfulness and modesty. If we have a special gift or talent, we should not hide it but use it to give glory to the Father. In using this gift, we can acknowledge the giver of the gift. The phrase, "I know that I do not know", is often attributed to Socrates by Plato. Even though we cannot find those exact words in the writings of Socrates, it is a wise saying. There is so much we do not know, and when we acknowledge this truth, we see the expression of the virtue of humility.

During this week, the 28<sup>th</sup> to the 3<sup>rd</sup>, I will be away visiting my sister and family and then my 50<sup>th</sup> college reunion. This trip will be the first in over 2 ½ years. I thank you for your support and prayers during this time and be assured of mine. Please pray for the faculty of our school and the scholars who will attend.

God's Peace

Fr. Mike

## HOLY HOUR FOR VOCATIONS & CONSECRATED RELIGIOUS LIFE

The Downtown Washington Serra Club will be conducting prayerful Holy Hours for Vocations and for those in Consecrated Religious Life on the first Wednesday of the month beginning September 7 at Annunciation Catholic Church, 3810 Massachusetts Ave., NW, Washington, 20016, from 6:00p.m. to 7:00p.m. A 5:30p.m. Mass will precede the Holy Hour.

Upcoming dates through 2022 are: September 7, October 5, November 2, and December 7. Please join us and invite your friends to join in this prayerful call to holiness and to pray for vocations.

## 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 <https://ourladyofbethesda.org/programs/retreats/what-are-spiritual-exercises/virtual-spiritual-exercises-promo>.



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 [www.faithdirect.net/DC43](http://www.faithdirect.net/DC43) 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



## JEANNE JUGAN

1792 - 1879

## FEAST AUGUST 30

Born in Brittany, in France, Jeanne was four when her fisherman father died. Her mother supported six children as a farm laborer. Jeanne became a kitchen maid at 16, and her mistress took her on visits to the sick and poor. She joined a third order at 25, working in a hospital for six years, then returned to domestic service. Soon, however, she began devoting herself entirely to care of the poor, especially widows, living in community with two other women. Though she established the Little Sisters of the Poor in 1842, she was not recognized as the order's founder until 1893. Canonized in 2009, she is considered a patron of the elderly.

## MASS INTENTIONS

**Sunday, August 28**—*Twenty-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

**Monday, August 29**—*The Passion of Saint John the Baptist*

8:00 a.m.	Park	Edward Armistead	In Memory
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**Tuesday, August 30**—*Tuesday of the Twenty-Second Week in Ordinary Time*

8:00 a.m.	Park	Andrew J. Gildea	In Memory
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**Wednesday, August 31**—*Wednesday of the Twenty-Second Week in Ordinary Time*

8:00 a.m.	Teo	Lawrence K. Bou	In Memory
5:30pm	Park	Souls in Purgatory	In Memory

**Thursday, September 1**—*Thursday of the Twenty-Second Week in Ordinary Time*

8:00 a.m.	Marchese	Madeline M. Mullane	In Memory
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**Friday, September 2**—*Friday of the Twenty-Second Week in Ordinary Time*

8:00 a.m.	Park	Gerry Mullan Sweet	In Memory
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**Saturday, September 3**—*Saint Gregory the Great, Pope, Doctor of the Church*

9:00 a.m.	Park	Marc Lapadula	In Memory
5:30 p.m.	Teo	Slavica Bachler	In Memory

**Sunday, September 4**—*Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8:00 a.m.	Park	Carole Srodes	In Memory
10:00 a.m.	Oberle	June Villarreal	In Memory
12:00 p.m.	Park	Parishioners	Intentions

## 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.

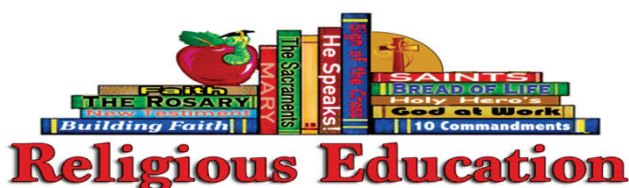
Never permit me to be separated from You.

Amen



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### 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 [mezek@annunciationdc.org](mailto:mezek@annunciationdc.org) for information.



## 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 individuals to celebrate the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist during the Easter season. There are separate sessions for children or youth. You are welcome to participate in the process with your questions, your insights, and your faith story in a warm accepting setting.

For information, please contact Andreja Mezek at 202-362-3323 or [mezek@annunciationdc.org](mailto:mezek@annunciationdc.org).



**RCIA**  
Rite of Christian Initiation  
A Journey in Faith



## 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/unity-walk/>.

## THIS WEEK ...

### Sunday, August 28

CLOW 10:00am (PC)

Book Club 11:00am (PC Atrium)

### Wednesday, August 31

Mass 5:30pm (Church)

Eucharistic Adoration

6:00pm (Church)

### Thursday, September 1

Contemplative Prayer

6:20pm (Zoom)

### Saturday, September 3

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 [bkitt@aarp.org](mailto:bkitt@aarp.org) 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](mailto:lindberg@annunciationdc.org).

## THE WORLD APOSTOLATE OF FATIMA

In honor of Our Lady of Fatima's third apparition, September 13, 1917, the World Apostolate of Fatima, Archdiocese of Washington Division "The Blue Army" invites you to Rosary, Mass, Confession, Divine Mercy Chaplet, and healing prayers on Tuesday, September 13 at 1:00pm in the Immaculate Heart of Mary Chapel, Basilica of the National Shrine, Michigan Ave, DC. For more information call 301-595-1770.

## 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](http://www.NationalCatholicSingles.com) for more information and to register. (Can't find your question answered on the website? Call 512-766-5798.)



## A WAY TO HELP YOURSELF AND YOUR CHURCH

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## 2022 BETHANY BEACH RETREAT

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## Gospel Today

Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time | Luke 14:1, 7-14

We are encouraged by Jesus to help others, especially the poor, not expecting anything in return.

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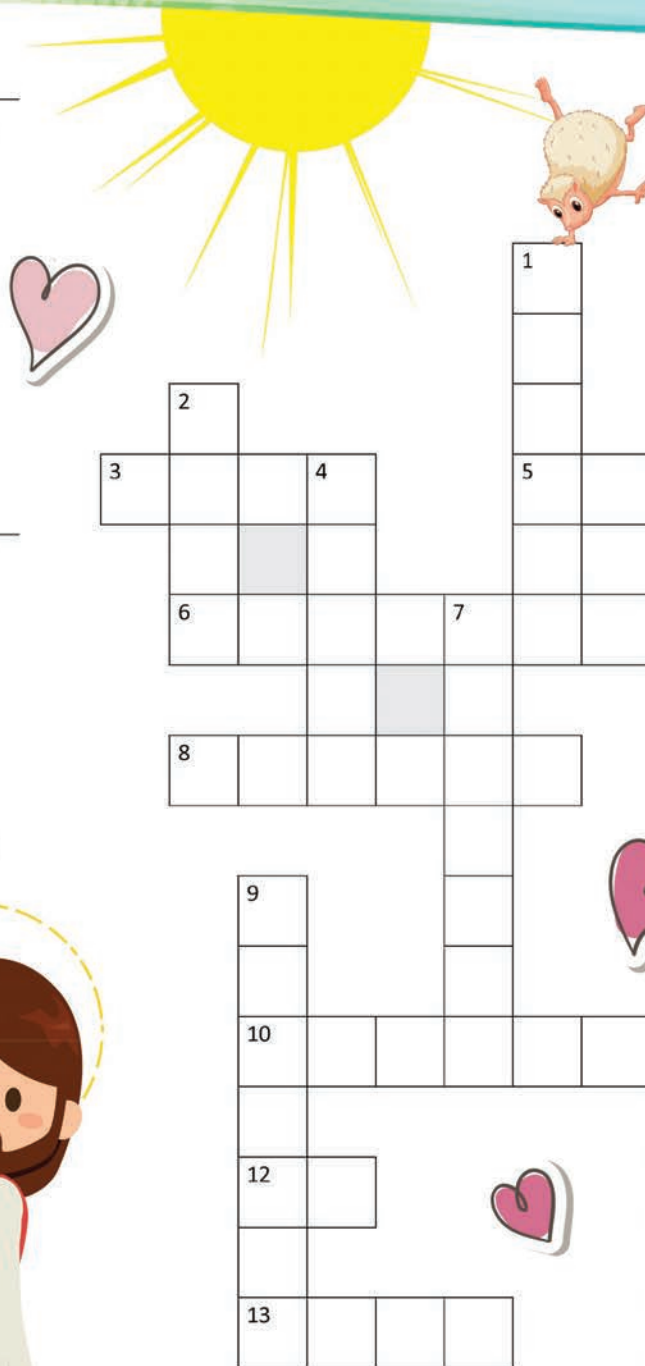
- 1 Courteously respectful
- 2 Present or bestow
- 4 Feeling, spirit, central organ
- 7 By way of
- 9 A desire to have
- 11 Unmerited favor & love of God

### ACROSS

- 3 Accompanied by
- 5 To exist or live
- 6 Elevated in honor
- 8 Bring or give back
- 10 Not anything
- 12 Opposite of out
- 13 Supreme Being (plural)

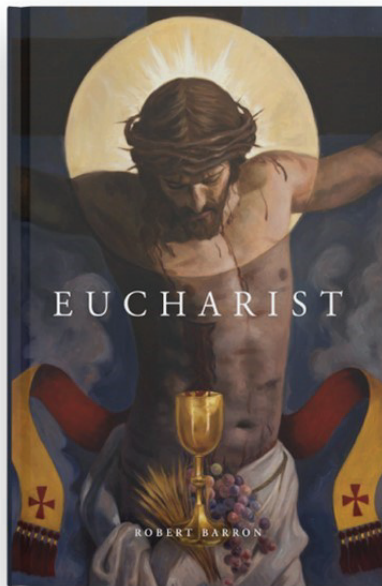
Everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the one who humbles himself will be exalted.

LUKE 14:11



Give with humble heart, wanting nothing in return, be exalted through God's grace.  
(answers to crossword)

# 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 very self that he offers in sacrifice.

Questions? Contact Tina Lindberg at [lindberg@annunciationdc.org](mailto:lindberg@annunciationdc.org) or 202-362-3323 x15.

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PICK OF THE WEEK

August 28, 2022

## WATCH

### 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: POPE SAINT GREGORY THE GREAT



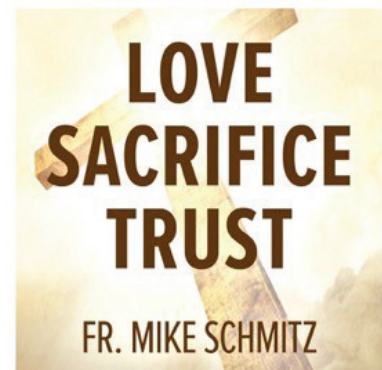
In the history of the Church, there are less than five popes esteemed with the title "the Great."

One of the lesser known members of this impressive group is Pope St. Gregory the Great. As a late sixth century leader, Gregory is known for his prolific writing, his radical humility, his emphasis on missions, and his dedication to almsgiving. In honor of Gregory's feast day this week, enjoy this discussion between Dr. Gray and Dr. Sehorn.

## LISTEN

### LOVE, SACRIFICE, TRUST: HE SHOWED US THE WAY BY FR. MIKE SCHMITZ

In this talk, Fr. Mike Schmitz shares with us the need to pick up our crosses and embrace Christ in our own suffering. He reminds us that love often means sacrifice!



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- 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?



Annunciation Catholic Church Atrium  
Tuesday evenings beginning September 13th at 7pm  
Wednesday mornings beginning September 14th at 9am

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