

February 26, 2017

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 9am, Vigil 5:30pm

*Miraculous Medal Novena*  
after the Saturday 9am Mass

Sunday: 7:30am, 9am, 10:30am,  
and 12:30pm

*Children's Liturgy of the Word*  
at the Sunday 9am Mass

Monday-Friday: 8am, 11am

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Wednesday: 11:30am-7pm

RECONCILIATION

Wednesday: 5-5:30pm

Saturday: 4:15-5:15pm

## EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**FIRST READING: ISAIAH 49:14-15**

The city of Zion laments that God has forsaken it. God replies that a mother would not forget her baby. Yet even if she did forget, "I will never forget you."

**SECOND READING: 1 CORINTHIANS 4:1-5**

Paul describes himself as a servant of Christ. He explains that the opinions of other people are unimportant to him. God is the only one worthy to judge us. When God returns, he will praise those who deserve it.

**GOSPEL: MATTHEW 6:24-34**

Jesus warns the people not to waste their time worrying about material things. He says that God provides for the birds in the sky. "Are you not more important than they?" Jesus asked. We should not worry about food and clothes. Instead we should act as God wants us to, then he will help provide for us.

### THIS WEEK ...

2/26	<b>Sunday</b>	Faith Fun—9:30am (Parish Center)
2/27	<b>Monday</b>	Contemplative Prayer—4:00pm (Parlor)
2/28	<b>Tuesday</b>	YA Pancake Dinner—7:00pm (Parish Center)
3/1	<b>Wednesday</b>	Eucharistic Adoration — 11:30am (Church) Religious Education — 7:00pm (School/Church/PC/CR)
3/2	<b>Thursday</b>	Contemplative Prayer — 4:00pm (Parlor) Choir Rehearsal — 7:30pm (Church)
3/3	<b>Friday</b>	CP1 & CP2 Community Service—6:30pm (PC/Church) Stations of the Cross—7:00pm (Church)
3/4	<b>Saturday</b>	Lenten Morning of Reflection—9:30am (Church)

## PASTORAL STAFF

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## PRAY WITH SCRIPTURE...

**Monday** Sir 17:20-24; Mk 10:17-27

**Tuesday** Sir 35:1-12; Mk 10:28-31

**Wednesday** Jl 2:12-18; 2 Cor 5:20—6:2; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

**Thursday** Dt 30:15-20; Lk 9:22-25

**First Friday** Is 58:1-9a; Mt 9:14-15

**First Saturday** Is 58:9b-14; Lk 5:27-32

## 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.

**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.

## 2017 LENTEN SCHEDULE

### Ash Wednesday – March 1, 2017

Masses at 8:00am, 9:00 am (School Mass), 11:00am & 7:00pm

**Stations of the Cross**—Every Friday, March 3rd thru April 7, 2017 at 7:00pm  
(On Good Friday Stations will be at 7:30pm)

**The Light is on For You** —Every Wednesday, March 8th thru April 12th, 2017

Eucharist Adoration — 11:30 - 8:00 pm

Confessions — 7:00pm - 8:00pm

**Lenten Food Drive**—March 25—26, 2017

## CAMP ST. CHARLES SUMMER CAMP

**OPEN HOUSE—MARCH 12, 2017 11AM TO 3PM**

Attend our open house to learn more about Camp St. Charles. Join us for lunch, a tour, a ride on the giant swing and an opportunity to meet the staff. For over 60 years, thousands of boys and girls have been making friends, learning to work together and developing an appreciation for Creation while camping out, riding horses, working their way through a challenge course, trying archery, paddling on the river, making art projects and lots of other activities in beautiful Southern Maryland. Fully accredited with the American Camp Association and certified by the state of Maryland, Camp St. Charles has been run by the Salvatorian Fathers and Brothers and Lay Salvatorians for over 60 years. New families may save on tuition by registering at our Open House. For more information, call 301-934-8799 or go to [www.campstcharles.org](http://www.campstcharles.org).

## THE POPE'S PRAYER INTENTIONS

The Holy Father asks for our prayers for a specific intention each month. You are invited to answer the Holy Father's request and to join with many people worldwide in praying for these intentions.

### FEBRUARY INTENTION

*Comfort for the Afflicted*

*That all those who are afflicted, especially the poor, refugees, and marginalized, may find welcome and comfort in our communities.*

### URGENT INTENTION

*Sacredness of Life*

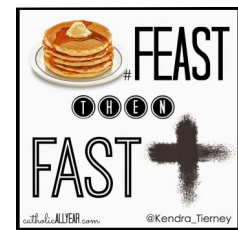
*We pray for the children who are in danger of the interruption of pregnancy, as well as for persons who are at the end of life — every life is sacred! — so that no one is left alone and that love may defend the meaning of life.*



## ACS CANDY SALE

Annunciation Catholic School Students will be selling World's Famous Chocolate Bars for \$1.00 after the 9:00 Mass on Sunday February 26th. Money raised will support Annunciation Catholic School.

## ANNUNCIATION YOUNG ADULT EVENTS



**YOUNG ADULT  
PANCAKE DINNER  
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2017  
7:00PM  
PARISH CENTER**

**SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES** with Annunciation Volunteers!  
Contact **Tom Keenan, YA Service Chair** if you have any questions: [twkeenan6@gmail.com](mailto:twkeenan6@gmail.com) or 847-902-1405 . Upcoming service events will be posted on FB/ AnnunciationDCYA.

**PRAYER REQUEST FRIDAY:**  
Pray Wherever You Are @ 3pm.  
Get your Friday Prayer Reminder on email & FB - post your prayers and we'll pray for you!

For All Annunciation YA Events:  
[Facebook.com/AnnunciationDCYA](https://www.facebook.com/AnnunciationDCYA)



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## SAINT OF THE WEEK



## Katharine Drexel

1858 - 1955

FEAST March 3

The daughter of a wealthy Philadelphia banker, Katharine received marriage proposals but wanted to become a contemplative nun. After inheriting a fortune, she visited the Dakotas and witnessed American Indians' poverty, subsequently pleading with Pope Leo XIII to send them more missionaries. But he and others encouraged her to found a congregation to work among people of color. In 1891, she and 13 companions became the first Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament. For more than 40 years, she led the order, using her fortune to establish numerous missions and schools for Indians and African Americans. Following a major heart attack in 1935, she retired to a life of prayer. Canonized in 2000, she is the patron of home missions.

—CNS Saints

## MASS INTENTIONS

### Sunday, February 26 – Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 a.m.	Lockman	Cardinal Donald Wuerl	Intentions
9:00 a.m.	Songy	Mort Goldman	In Memory
10:30 a.m.	Panke	Parishioners	Intentions
12:30 p.m.	Keeler	Rosa Maria Lamb	In Memory

### Monday, February 27 – Monday of the Eighth Week in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m.	Marchese	Amanda Andre Jacxsens	In Memory
11:00 a.m.	Lockman	Henri Ulrich	In Memory

### Tuesday, February 28 – Tuesday of the Eighth Week in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m.	Marchese	Nonoy Castroverde	In Memory
11:00 a.m.	Maro	William E. Cassidy	In Memory

### Wednesday, March 1 – Ash Wednesday

8:00 a.m.	Marchese	Netty Keer & Petrus Kusaeri	In Memory
9:00 a.m.	Maro	Misael Duran	In Memory
11:00 a.m.	Antonicelli	Logan Courtillet	In Memory
7:00 p.m.	Lockman	Joseph Castelli	In Memory

### Thursday, March 2 – Thursday after Ash Wednesday

8:00 a.m.	Marchese	Cardinal Donald Wuerl	Intentions
11:00 a.m.	Maro	Gumersinda F. Perez	In Memory

### Friday, March 3 – Saint Katharine Drexel, Virgin

8:00 a.m.	Marchese	Mary Socci	In Memory
11:00 a.m.	Maro	Virginia Gutierrez	In Memory

### Saturday, March 4 – Saint Casimir

9:00 a.m.	Maro	Jeff Noordermeer	In Memory
5:30 p.m.	Maro	Cardinal Donald Wuerl	Intentions

### Sunday, March 5 – First Sunday of Lent

7:30 a.m.	Maro	Cardinal Donald Wuerl	Intentions
9:00 a.m.	Langlois	Larry Benes	In Memory
10:30 a.m.	Antonicelli	Parishioners	Intentions
12:30 p.m.	Hall	Digna Mendez Mercado	In Memory

Please continue to pray for all our parishioners who are hospitalized, homebound or living in care facilities.

If you or a loved one would like a visit at home, in the hospital or in a care facility please contact Sister Kathleen Griffin at 202-362-3323 x22 or [griffin@annunciationdc.org](mailto:griffin@annunciationdc.org)



## POPE'S CORNER

### SACRIFICING CHRISTIANS

The pain and the shame we feel at the sins of some members of the Church, and at our own, must never make us forget how many Christians are giving their lives in love. They help so many people to be healed or to die in peace in make-shift hospitals. They are present to those enslaved by different addictions in the poorest places on earth. They devote themselves to the education of children and young people. They take care of the elderly who have been forgotten by everyone else. They look for ways to communicate values in hostile environments. They are dedicated in many other ways to showing an immense love for humanity inspired by the God who became man.

— *Evangelii Gaudium*

**Reflection:** Do you know people who practice sacrificial mercy toward others? How can you show them gratitude? How can you follow their example?



Consider enrolling in eGiving through Faith Direct so that your gift can reach us even when you cannot.

Visit [www.faithdirect.net](http://www.faithdirect.net) and use our church code: DC43 or call 866-507-8757 for a registration form.

#### SECOND COLLECTION

March 5th:

Annunciation School

#### POOR BOX

Donations for the month of February will benefit the St. Vincent DePaul Society to help the poor and homeless in our community.

This week's bulletin is made possible by our sponsor

**Patrick T. Hand**  
ATTORNEY AT LAW

## IRISH ODYSSEY FOUR STAR VACATION

Join Monsignor V. James Lockman on a twelve day tour of Ireland. The tour will begin on August 10, 2017 and conclude on August 22, 2017. For more information please contact Monsignor Lockman at [vjl1943@comcast.net](mailto:vjl1943@comcast.net) or 301-651-3371.



## PRAY FOR VOCATIONS!

The "Vocations Tree" will be in the church foyer on Ash Wednesday. This year's tree has cards for each of the seminarians of the Archdiocese of Washington. Please choose one or more cards and pray for that seminarian each day during Lent. Make it a beautiful offering to the Lord this Lent to pray for those whom He calls to give their lives in service of His Church in our archdiocese.



## TAXES GETTING YOU DOWN?

Get tax relief by making a gift of appreciated securities to Annunciation Parish. There are two ways to give: Annunciation Catholic Church (general fund) or Annunciation Catholic School Endowment Fund. For more information, please contact Monsignor Charles Antonicelli at [pastor@annunciationdc.org](mailto:pastor@annunciationdc.org). Thank you!



**Would you like to receive Monsignor Antonicelli's weekly email?** Simply send an email to [pastor@annunciationdc.org](mailto:pastor@annunciationdc.org) to sign up.

## 2017 CHRISTMAS BAZAAR DONATIONS



Cleaning up after Christmas? Making room for new things? Consider making a donation to the 2017 Christmas Bazaar! Drop your items off at the parish office, Tuesday-Friday from 10am-2pm. Many thanks!

## ANNUNCIATION PARISH APP



Search for the Annunciation App in the app store – Annunciation Catholic Church Washington DC.



## ALTAR FLOWERS

The flowers on the altar have been donated by Coco Palomeque in memory of José Blanco. This was the last week that fresh flowers could be donated by parishioners for the sanctuary in memory or in honor of a loved one, or for an anniversary, or from a wedding until Easter.

## QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS ABOUT LENT AND LENTEN PRACTICES



**Q. Why do we say that there are forty days of Lent? When you count all the days from Ash Wednesday through Holy Saturday, there are 46.**

A. It might be more accurate to say that there is the "forty day fast within Lent." Historically, Lent has varied from a week to three weeks to the present configuration of 46 days. The forty day fast, however, has been more stable. The Sundays of Lent are certainly part of the Time of Lent, but they are not prescribed days of fast and abstinence.

**Q. So does that mean that when we give something up for Lent, such as candy, we can have it on Sundays?**

A. Apart from the prescribed days of fast and abstinence on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, and the days of abstinence every Friday of Lent, Catholics have traditionally chosen additional penitential practices for the whole Time of Lent. These practices are disciplinary in nature and often more effective if they are continuous, i.e., kept on Sundays as well. That being said, such practices are not regulated by the Church, but by individual conscience.

**Q. I've noticed that restaurants and grocery stores advertise specials on expensive types of fish and seafood on Fridays during Lent. Some of my Catholic friends take advantage of these deals, but somehow I don't feel right treating myself to the lobster special on Fridays during Lent.**

A. While fish, lobster and other shellfish are not considered meat and can be consumed on days of abstinence, indulging in the lavish buffet at your favorite seafood place sort of misses the point. Abstaining from meat and other indulgences during Lent is a penitential practice. On the Fridays of Lent, we remember the sacrifice of Christ on Good Friday and unite ourselves with that sacrifice through abstinence and prayer.

**Q. I understand that Catholics ages 18 to 59 should fast on Ash Wednesday and on Good Friday, but what exactly are the rules for these fasts?**

A. Fasting on these days means we can have only one full, meatless meal. Some food can be taken at the other regular meal times if necessary, *but combined they should be less than a full meal*. Liquids are allowed at any time, but no solid food should be consumed between meals.

**Q. Are there exemptions other than for age from the requirement to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday?**

A. Those that are excused from fast and abstinence outside the age limits include the physically or mentally ill including individuals suffering from chronic illnesses such as diabetes. Also excluded are pregnant or nursing women. In all cases, common sense should prevail, and ill persons should not further jeopardize their health by fasting.

—*from the US Conference of Catholic Bishops*

