

Our Lady of the Visitation Parish

14139 Seneca Road • Darnestown, Maryland 20874



Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

29 October 2017

Sacred Liturgy

Saturday • 5:00 p.m.

Sunday • 9:00 a.m. • 11:00 a.m.

14139 Seneca Road • Darnestown

Monday - Friday • 9:15 a.m.

Thomas More Chapel • Parish Barn • 14135 Seneca Road

Sacrament of Penance • Saturday • 4:00 p.m. • Or by request

VISION STATEMENT

“Guided by the Light of Christ, we are building a vibrant, welcoming community of *fellowship, grace, love* of God and one another.”

MARY

We honor Mary as our mother in faith and pattern of holiness in daily life.

CHARISM

The name of our parish reminds us to make the corporal and spiritual works of mercy a personal priority.

STEWARDSHIP

We accept our responsibility to properly use the time, talent and treasure God has entrusted to us: as graced individuals, as a gifted parish, and as a blessed nation.

MINISTRY

We are called by our baptism to worship the Father, to build community in the Spirit, to proclaim the gospel of Jesus Christ, and to serve all those in need.

TRADITION

We are proud to live our Christian faith as members of the Roman Catholic Church and as a parish of the Archdiocese of Washington.

Pastoral Council

Vice-Chair

Deacon Thaddeus Dmuchowski

Liturgical Life Committee

Anita Stiger, (301) 869-8154

Parish Life Committee

Joseph Young, (301) 219-6897

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR

JUNE 2018

02 Sat Confirmation, 2:00 p.m., Basilica Shrine of the Immaculate Conception

NOVEMBER

01 Wed *Feast of All Saints: Masses at Noon and 5:00 p.m., Church*
Parish Office Closes at Noon

02 Thu *Feast of All Souls: Sacred Liturgy at 9:15 a.m., Chapel*

04 Sat **First Eucharist Getting Ready Day I**
9:00a.m.—11:00 a.m., Church

05 Sun Church School, 9:00 a.m., Church
ADW Priests' Retirement Collection
Mortgage Collection
St. Martin's Food Bags Distributed
Faith Formation:

Grades 6, 7, 8, 6:30 p.m., Founders Hall

07 Tue Scripture Study, 10:00 a.m., Barn
Knights of Columbus, 7:00 p.m., Barn

10 Fri Office Closes at Noon for Veteran's Day

11 Sat **Baptism Prep. Class, 10:00 a.m., Barn**

12 Sun Church School, 9:00 a.m., Church
St. Martin's Food Bags Collected
Local Veterans' Collection

Faith Formation:

Grades 6, 7, 8, 6:30 p.m., Founders Hall

14 Tue Scripture Study, 10:00 a.m., Barn

Faith Formation:

Grades K-5, 4:45 p.m., Founders Hall

17 Fri **8th Grade Confirmation Retreat**
Bus at Founders Hall at 4:30 p.m.

18 Sat **Christmas Tree Lot Set-Up**

19 Sun Church School, 9:00 a.m., Church
Sodality, 9:00 a.m. Mass and Meeting
Family Bingo, 2:00 p.m., Founders Hall

Faith Formation:

Grades 6, 7, 8, 6:30 p.m., Founders Hall

High School, 6:30 p.m., Rectory

21 Tue Scripture Study, 10:00 a.m., Barn

No Faith Formation Sessions

Sodality, Rosary, 7:00 p.m., Barn

22 Wed **Sacred Liturgy, 6:00 p.m., Church**
Collection for Church in Haiti

23 Thu **Office Closed, Thanksgiving**

26 Sun **No Church School, Thanksgiving**
No Faith Formation, Thanksgiving

28 Tue Scripture Study, 10:00 a.m., Barn

Faith Formation:

Grades K-5, 4:45 p.m., Founders Hall

30 Thu **The Lord's Table Soup Kitchen**

OCTOBER

29 Sun Church School, 9:00 a.m., Church

Faith Formation:

Grades 6, 7, 8, 6:30 p.m., Founders Hall

High School, 6:30 p.m., Rectory

31 Tue Scripture Study, 10:00 a.m., Barn



Liturgical Life

ALL SOULS' DAY: Thursday 02 November 2017 is the day on which we officially commemorate and pray for all the faithful departed. Mass will be celebrated at 9:15 a.m. in the chapel in the parish barn.

ALL SAINTS' DAY: All Saint's Day is a holyday of obligation. Our Lady of the Visitation Parish will celebrate the *Feast of All Saints* with sacred liturgy on **Wednesday 01 November 2017 at 12:00 noon and 5:00 p.m.** in the Church.

THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: 04-05 November: PRESIDERS:

5:00 p.m. Fr. Raymond Fecteau

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Readings for the Week of 29 October 2017

Monday: Rom 8:12-17/Ps 68:2, 4, 6-7ab, 20-21/Lk 13:10-17

Tuesday: Rom 8:18-25/Ps 126:1b-6/Lk 13:18-21

Wednesday: Rv 7:2-4, 9-14/Ps 24:1bc-4ab, 5-6/1 Jn 3:1-3/Mt 5:1-12a

Thursday: Wis 3:1-9/Ps 23:1-6/Rom 5:5-11 or Rom 6:3-9/Jn 6:37-40

Friday: Rom 9:1-5/Ps 147:12-15, 19-20/Lk 14:1-6

Saturday: Rom 11:1-2a, 11-12, 25-29/Ps 94:12-13a, 14-15, 17-18/Lk 14:1, 7-11

Sunday: Mal 1:14b—2:2b, 8-10/Ps 131:1-3/1 Thes 2:7b-9, 13/Mt 23:1-12

Parish Life

R.I.P.: It is with sadness that we announce the death of the **Rev. John S. Mattingly**, priest of the archdiocese and the father of Laura (Robert) Baxter-Hansen. We commend them and their families in our prayers to God.

PARISH NECROLOGY: On the anniversary of their death, please keep the following parishioners in your prayers: **George Douglas Carr** (05 October 2002), **Mary K. Larsen** (05 October 2004), **Henry Poss** (05 October 2004), **Mary Robinson Lambert** (06 October 2012), **Willard Croyle** (15 October 2014), **Gloria M. Wall** (17 October 2014), **David Rector** (18 October 2000), **Maria Carla Barzotti** (20 October 2008), **Michelina Canzoneri** (24 October 2000), **James Cardinal Hickey** (24 October 2004), **Laverne Marie Meckoll** (25 October 2007), **John Kollappillil** (25 October 2013), and **Gerd-Roland Dunkelberg** (31 October 2016).

FAMILY BINGO: Sunday 19 November 2017 from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Bring the entire family to play Bingo. Prizes will be awarded for each game. Bingo is sponsored by the Men's Club, the Sodality and Mary of Nazareth families.



8TH GRADE CONFIRMATION RETREAT: The overnight retreat will be held on **Friday 17 November 2017** through **Saturday 18 November 2017** at the Bishop Claggett Retreat Center. The bus departs from the OLVP church parking lot at 4:30 p.m. on Friday and returns in time for the 5:00 p.m. Mass on Saturday. Please keep our Confirmandi in your prayers.

INFANT BAPTISM CLASS: Parents presenting their children for Baptism must be registered in our parish and are required to attend a Baptism Preparation Class prior to scheduling the Baptism. We encourage Sponsors/Godparents, including parishioners who will be Sponsors/Godparents elsewhere, to attend this Baptism Preparation Class. The next class is scheduled for **Saturday 11 November 2017** in the parish barn. Attendance during pregnancy is advised. For information and/or to register, call the parish office, (301) 948-5536.

FIRST EUCHARIST GETTING READY DAY I: The first Getting Ready Day for second graders preparing to receive First Reconciliation and First Eucharist will be held on **Saturday 04 November 2017 from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. in the Church.** One parent must accompany each child.

ECCE QUAM BONUM : Last weekend, **Breleigh Rose Manvilla** celebrated Baptism.

ROSARIES: During the month of October, blessed rosaries will be available in a basket in the rear of the church, near the statues of the Holy Family. Please feel free to take a rosary, if you need one. If you have an extra rosary at home and would like to be a part of this project, you may place your rosary in the basket for others to use.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION: Following the policy of Donald Cardinal Wuerl, the Sacramental Programs for Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist and Penance are parish and family based. For youth, Confirmation is a three-year program that begins in the sixth grade; Eucharist/Penance is a two-year program that begins in the first grade. Throughout this period of preparation, children are to be participating in a formal religious education program in our parish or in a Catholic school. Registration in our parish Faith Formation Program is separate from registration in our Sacramental Preparation Program. For information, call the parish office, (301) 948-5536, ext. 107.

ENGAGED ENCOUNTER: The DC Chapter of Catholic Engaged Encounter will again be offering weekend marriage preparation courses that satisfy the diocesan requirements for marriage preparation. To register or to obtain more information, go to at www.dcengagedencounter.org.

MATRIMONY POLICY: It is Archdiocesan and parish policy that couples seeking to be married in the Church are to make arrangements with a priest or deacon a minimum of six months prior to setting a wedding date. **Do not plan the reception until you meet with the Priest/Deacon.** Please email Father Raymond Fecteau (rfecteau@olvp.org), Father Mathew Punchayil (matpunchayil@yahoo.com), Deacon Ted Dmuchowski (thaddeus.dmuchowski@gmail.com) or Deacon Robert Fischer (olvpdeacon@gmail.com).

ANOINTING OF THE SICK: If you are planning to undergo major surgery, please notify our parish office. If illness or age prevent you from attending Mass, call the parish office to arrange for visitation and Communion in your home.

ALL HOSPITALS AND NURSING HOMES have Catholic Chaplains to care for Catholic patients and residents. On admission, be sure to notify the staff of your desire to receive the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick and/or the Sacrament of the Eucharist.

DO YOU WANT TO BECOME A CATHOLIC? If you have heard the call of God to become a Catholic, please call the parish office (301)948-5536.

PRAYER CHAIN: If you would like to have a special intention remembered in our prayers, please e-mail the parish office at parishoffice@olvp.org.

Faith Formation for Life

SCRIPTURE STUDY: A study of the readings for the Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time will be held on **Tuesday, 31 October 2017**, at 10:00 a.m. in the Barn.

HIGH SCHOOL FAITH FORMATION: The *Scripture and Snack* session for High School Faith Formation will meet tonight, **Sunday 29 October 2017** at 6:30 p.m. in the rectory. All high school students are welcome to attend.

Social Concerns

CARDINAL'S APPEAL: As of October 2017, Our Lady of the Visitation Parish has pledged \$132,032.34 to the Cardinal's Appeal. This is 99% of the goal established for our parish. It is still possible to contribute to this appeal. Contact the parish office for more information.

FALL COLLECTION FOR ST. MARTIN'S FOOD PANTRY: Empty bags will be distributed on **04-05 November 2017**. Bags filled with non-perishable food items in cans or plastic containers will be collected on **11-12 November 2017**. Grocery store gift cards are accepted but no cash or checks.

HELP LOCAL VETERANS: The OLVP Sodality and Men's Club provide the Darnestown Safe Haven House, a facility for re-habilitating homeless veterans, with items for independent living. We collect items twice a year. The fall collection will be on the weekend of **11-12 November 2017**. For more information and to be put on the Sign-up Genius, please contact Mary Lott at 301-926-9028 or at mary.lott2@gmail.com.

COLLECTION FOR RETIRED PRIESTS OF THE ARCHDIOCESE OF WASHINGTON: The second collection for **04-05 November 2017** is for the Retired Priests of the Archdiocese of Washington. Please use the second collection envelopes that have been mailed to your homes or the special collection envelopes that will be placed in the pews. There is currently a shortfall in funding for priests' retirement, and the archdiocese is working diligently to address this shortfall through such efforts as this special collection. The priests of the archdiocese have been there for all of us. Please be there for them to assist in the dignity of their retirement and to honor their lives of service.

HELP NEEDED WITH WOMEN'S SHELTER: The Dorothy Day Women's Shelter in Rockville is part of Catholic Charities. The Visitation Parish Sodality provides dinner for the shelter once a month: main course, sides, and dessert. Thank you to those who helped this month; help is always needed! For more information, please contact Diana Hurley at (301) 216-0870 or at hurley05@verizon.net.

Human Resources

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR CHRISTMAS TREE SALES: Set-up of the lot will be on **Saturday 18 November** at 8:00 a.m.; trees will be delivered and unloaded on **Thursday 30 November** at 1:00 p.m.; sales will begin on **Friday 01 December** through **Sunday 10 December**.



There are opportunities for everyone. This is fun, plain and simple! All ages may participate. If you would like to be part of this annual event, **go to www.olvp.org and click on the link for Sign-up Genius**. It is easy and you will see right away which of your friends have already planned to help. Don't miss out on the Christmas fun! Plan to sign-up today.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS: The parish office will close at noon on **Friday 10 November** in honor of Veterans' Day. Regular office hours are Monday through Friday, **10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.**

PARISH RECORD KEEPING: Have you changed your address, telephone number or email? Are you planning to move out of the area? If so, please advise the parish office, at cenos@olvp.org, so that the records may be updated. Thank you.

Facilities

PARISH REPAIRS: If you see a needed repair around the parish, please email parishoffice@olvp.org to report the problem so that we may have it fixed.

Finance

WHY FAITH DIRECT?: With the arrival of autumn, we invite you to join *Faith Direct*, our parish's electronic eGiving program. Enroll today by visiting www.faithdirect.net and use our church code, **MD114**, or pick up an enrollment form from the parish office to get started!

