

Our Lady of the Visitation Parish

14139 Seneca Road • Darnestown, Maryland 20874



Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

20 August 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

Faith Formation For Life Committee

Robert McDonald, Ph.D. (301) 869-3366

Social Concerns Committee

Kathryn Sutton, (202) 739-5738

At-Large Member

Will Flaig (301) 869-2830

At-Large Member

Timothy J. Hahn, (301) 926-7980

Principal of Parish School

Michael Friel (301) 869-0940

Stewardship Council

Vice-Chair

Stephen Staton, CPA, (240) 988-7818

Human Resources Committee

John Feeney, (301) 762-2116

Facilities Committee

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Fiscal Management Committee

Nick Serenyi, (301) 556-2320

Parish Manager, Ext. 103

Colleen Enos (301) 948-5536

Director of Faith Formation, Ext. 107

Michele Olewack, (301) 948-5536

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Robert Fischer, (301) 948-5536
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The Rev. Raymond L. Fecteau, S.T.B., D.Min.
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Parish Life



Liturgical Life

ORDINARY TIME: Apart from those seasons having their own distinctive character, there remain in the yearly cycle those weeks (33 or 34) that do not celebrate a specific mystery of Christ. Rather, especially on Sundays, they are devoted to the mystery of Christ in all its fullness. This period is known as Ordinary Time (General Norms, 43). Ordinary Time resumed when the Easter Season ended, that is, on Monday, 05 June 2017, the day following Pentecost.

SALVE REGINA: The Marian antiphon, *Salve Regina*, is sung from Trinity Sunday to the First Sunday of Advent. It was used as a processional chant at Cluny as early as 1135. The text of the antiphon is the familiar prayer, "Hail Holy Queen." At Visitation Parish we use it as a processional chant during the presentation of the gifts.

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: 26-27 August: PRESIDERS:

5:00 p.m. Fr. Mathew Punchayil
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 11:00 a.m. Fr. Raymond Fecteau / Deacon Ted

Readings for the Week of 20 August 2017

Monday: Jgs 2:11-19/Ps 106:34-37, 39-40, 43ab, 44/Mt 19:16-22
 Tuesday: Jgs 6:11-24a/Ps 85:9, 11-14/Mt 19:23-30
 Wednesday: Jgs 9:6-15/Ps 21:2-7/Mt 20:1-16
 Thursday: Rv 21:9b-14/Ps 145:10-13, 17-18/Jn 1:45-51
 Friday: Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22/Ps 146:5-10/Mt 22:34-40
 Saturday: Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17/Ps 128:1b-5/Mt 23:1-12
 Sunday: Is 22:19-23/Ps 138:1-3, 6, 8/Rom 11:33-36/Mt 16:13-20

R.I.P.: It is with sadness that we announce the death of the Reverend R. Francis Martin, a priest of the Archdiocese of Washington. We commend him and his family in our prayers to God.

PARISH NECROLOGY: On the anniversaries of their death, please keep the following parishioners in your prayers: **Richard A. Weller** (02 August 2013), **Rene D. Zambranna** (03 August 1999), **Samuel Carr** (07 August 1999), **Pamela Jean Caell** (11 August 2001), **Cristeta Aquino** (15 August 1999), **Mary Albrano** (18 August 2000), **Patrick Sutton** (18 August 2015), and **Joshua Andrew Kight** (30 August 2004).

SAINTS/WINDOWS: Because we are a parish named in honor of Mary, the windows in the apse celebrate the fifteen mysteries of the Rosary in use at the time our church was built. Those immediately behind the tabernacle are the Joyful Mysteries (white); those on the left of the tabernacle (chair side) are the Sorrowful Mysteries (red); and those on the right side of the tabernacle (ambo side) are the Glorious Mysteries (yellow).

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR CARE OF CREATION: Pope Francis has declared **Friday 01 September 2017** as a day of prayer to implore God's help in protecting creation and to ask God's forgiveness "for sins committed against the world in which we live." The Pope shares the concern of Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew of Constantinople, who initiated a similar prayer day for the Orthodox Church. Pope Francis invoked "upon this initiative the intercession of Mary, mother of God, and of St. Francis of Assisi ... to live in praise of the Creator and with respect for creation."

CONFIRMATION REGISTRATION & INFORMATION MEETING: Parents of 6th, 7th and 8th graders will have a **mandatory** meeting on **Sunday, 17 September 2017 at 6:30 p.m.** in the Church to discuss the Confirmation Preparation Program for each grade and to provide an opportunity to register for the sacrament.

PARISH EMBER DAYS: Responding to the Gospel and following Church tradition, Visitation parishioners are encouraged to voluntarily set aside **Wednesday, Friday and Saturday, 20, 22, and 23 September 2017** as special days of fasting, prayer and works of charity.

FIRST EUCHARIST AND RECONCILIATION MEETING for the parents of those young parishioners



Attention
Parents

who are preparing to receive the Sacraments of First Eucharist and Reconciliation in 2018 will be on **Sunday, 24**

September 2017 in the Church at **12:15 p.m.** For more information, please e-mail Michele Olewack, molewack@olvp.org.

MARYLAND CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CONFERENCE: Register now for the 7th annual retreat on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, **05, 06 and 07 October** (Saturday is available as a one day retreat) at Mt. St. Mary's University in Emmitsburg, MD. The cost is \$65.00 for three days; \$55 for Saturday only. Keynote speakers include Sister Helena Burnes, and Jon Leonetti. Archbishop William Lori will celebrate Mass. Details are on the website. Register now at www.marylandcatholicwomen.com.

INFANT BAPTISMS: 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. Attendance during pregnancy is advised. For information and/or to register, call the parish office, (301) 948-5536.

FIRST EUCHARIST INTERVIEWS: Before scheduling an interview, the sacrament of Penance/Reconciliation must have been celebrated, the parental letter of request must be received, and the books must be completed and dropped off at the Barn.

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.

MATRIMONY: 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 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 Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time will be held on **Tuesday, 22 August 2017**, at 10:00 a.m. in the Barn.

CHURCH SCHOOL IN SEPTEMBER: This year, we welcome our 3 year olds, 4 year olds and Pre-K children to Sunday Church School during the 9:00 a.m. Mass beginning on **Sunday 17 September 2017**. **For more information and to register, email molewack@olvp.org.**

2017-2018 FAITH FORMATION: Faith Formation sessions will begin on **Sunday 24 September 2017 from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.** for **Grades 6, 7, and 8 through High School**. Sessions for **Grades Kindergarten** (you must be 5 years of age by 01 September 2017) through **Grade 5** will begin on **Tuesday 26 September 2017 from 4:45 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.** Registration is open. Contact Michele Olewack for information and to register (molewack@olvp.org).

MARY OF NAZARETH SCHOOL COTILLION PROGRAM: This introduction to ballroom dancing and social grace training for eighth grade boys and girls consists of five Saturday sessions from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. on **09, 23, and 30 September, 14 and 21 October**. The sessions are held at the school; the fee for the series is \$200 and a standard of dress is required. For additional information, please contact the

Development Office at (301) 869-0940 ext. 6, or cotillion@maryofnazareth.org.

MARY OF NAZARETH CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL: Providing a solid spiritual, academic, and social foundation for your son or daughter is one of the most important decisions you will make as a parent. Enrolling your child at Mary of Nazareth School will have a life-long impact on their individual growth in all of these areas and more. We encourage families to begin this process by attending an open house, or scheduling a tour. The website provides detailed information relating to our admissions process. Please contact admissions@maryofnazareth.org to take the first step toward enrolling your child today!

Social Concerns

CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY COLLECTION: This Archdiocesan collection will be taken on the weekend of **09/10 September 2017**. CUA provides an academically rigorous education guided by Catholic intellectual tradition to nearly 7,000 students every year. More than 4,000 students receive scholarship aid directly from this collection, including many from our archdiocese. Please give according to your means.



ATTENTION FINANCIAL PROFESSIONALS! Help motivated people to break the cycle of poverty. Join the Catholic Charities “Financial Stability Network” of financial professionals who will offer *pro bono* financial education, financial coaching, and tax return preparation services for low-income families and individuals in the Archdiocese of Washington. For more information and to apply, please contact Deacon Jim Shanahan jim.shanahan@cc-dc.org.

CARDINAL’S APPEAL: As of August 2017, Our Lady of the Visitation Parish has pledged \$130,407.34 to the Cardinal’s Appeal. This is 98% of the goal established for our parish. It is still possible to contribute to this appeal. Contact the parish office for more information.

Human Resources

PARISH OFFICE HOURS: Regular office hours are Monday through Friday, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.



NEW CHOIR MEMBERS NEEDED: If you are looking to share your musical talent, the 9:00 a.m. Sunday choir would be happy to hear from you. Contact Diana Hurley at hurley05@verizon.net for details.

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?: Taking one last road trip before everyone goes back to school? As you prepare for the end of summer and the start of a busy fall, consider enrolling in eGiving through Faith Direct so that your gift can reach us even when you cannot. Visit www.faithdirect.net and use our church code: **MD114** or pick up an enrollment form from the parish office today. Your gifts through Faith Direct will help stabilize our parish finances through the busy (but beautiful) summer months.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

AUGUST

- 20 Sun Sodality Mass & Mtg., 9:00 a.m., Church
- 22 Tue Scripture Study, 10:00 a.m., Barn
- 29 Tue Scripture Study, 10:00 a.m., Barn

SEPTEMBER

- 01 Fri Care of Creation Day
- 03 Sun Mortgage Collection
- 04 Mon Office Closed, Labor Day
- 05 Tue Scripture Study, 10:00 a.m., Barn
Knights of Columbus, 7:00p.m., Barn
- 10 Sun Catholic University Collection
HNS/Men’s Club Mass and Meeting,
9:00 a.m., Church
- 12 Tue Scripture Study, 10:00 a.m., Barn
- 17 Sun Church School Begins, 9:00 am, Church
Ages 3, 4, and Pre-K 5 year old children
Confirmation Registration: Parent Meeting, Grades 6, 7, 8 , 6:30 p.m., Church
- 19 Tue Scripture Study, 10 a.m., Barn
- 20 Wed Ember Day: Voluntary Day of Penance
- 22 Fri Ember Day: Voluntary Day of Penance
- 23 Sat Ember Day: Voluntary Day of Penance
- 24 Sun Church School, 9:00 a.m., Church
Sodality, 9:00 a.m. Mass and Meeting, Church
First Eucharist Registration, 12:15 p.m Church
Faith Formation Begins:
Grades K-5, 4:45 p.m. Fdrs. Hall
High School , 6:30 p.m., Rectory