

Our Lady of the Visitation Parish

14139 Seneca Road • Darnestown, Maryland 20874



Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

03 September 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

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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

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Vice-Chair

Stephen Staton, CPA, (240) 988-7818

Human Resources Committee

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Liturgical Life

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY
TIME: 09-10 September: PRESIDERS:

5:00 p.m. Fr. Mathew Punchayil
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Readings for the Week of 03 September 2017

Monday: 1 Thes 4:13-18/Ps 96:1, 3-5, 11-13/
Lk 4:16-30
Tuesday: 1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/
Lk 4:31-37
Wednesday: Col 1:1-8/Ps 52:10-11/Lk 4:38-44
Thursday: Col 1:9-14/Ps 98:2-6/Lk 5:1-11
Friday: Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30/Ps 13:6/Mt
1:1-16, 18-23 or 1:18-23
Saturday: Col 1:21-23/Ps 54:3-4, 6, 8/Lk 6:1-5
Sunday: Ez 33:7-9/Ps 95:1-2, 6-9/Rom 13:8-
10/Mt 18:15-20

Parish Life

R.I.P.: It is with sadness that we announce the death of **Frederick (Barbara) Leonhardt**. We commend him and his family in our prayers to God.

PARISH NECROLOGY: On the anniversary of their death, please keep the following parishioners in your prayers: **Agnes F. Kelly** (2 September 2002), **Richard J. Gordon** (03 September 2012), **Harry T. Lackey, Jr.** (10 September 2002), **Vincent Burns** (10 September 1994), **Andrew Garde** (22 September 1994), and **Mabel Rebecca Offut** (30 September 2015).

SAINTS/WINDOWS: 9 September, Peter Claver (1581—1654) was born to a poor farming family in Spain. He became a Jesuit missionary (upper panel) and, at his ordination to the priesthood, Peter vowed to become “a slave to the slaves.” As slave ships (lower panel) arrived in Cartagena (Columbia, South America) he boarded the ships with food, drink and medicine. With the help of interpreters, and despite open opposition and ridicule, Peter Claver instructed and baptized almost four hundred thousand people. His feast is listed in the United States liturgical calendar.

SODALITY: The women of Sodality are celebrating the *Feast of the Birth of the Blessed Virgin Mary* on **Thursday, 07 September 2017** with the recitation of the rosary at 7:00 p.m. in the Thomas More Chapel in the Barn. Light refreshments will follow. All women 18 years of age and older are invited to attend. For more information, please contact the parish office at (301) 948-5536.

MEN’S CLUB (HOLY NAME SOCIETY): We invite all interested OLVP men to join. We are the driving force behind the annual Christmas tree sale, and we work behind the scenes on many other OLVP events. This year we want to expand activities to include youth and families. Come help us make it an exciting year. Young and ‘old’, each of you have a special gift to contribute to our parish. Join us for our September 2017 meeting right after the 9:00 a.m. Mass on **Sunday 10 September 2017** in Founders Hall. Coffee and donuts will be served.

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 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.

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. The next class will be held on **Saturday 30 September 2017** at 10:00 a.m. in the Parish Barn. For information and/or to register, call the parish office, (301) 948-5536.

MARYLAND CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CONFERENCE: Register now for the 7th annual retreat on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, **06, 07 and 08 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.

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 Dmuchowskii (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-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time will be held on **Tuesday, 05 September 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.



*Religious
Education*

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.

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.



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.

RUN FOR VOCATIONS: Run for Vocations registration is open! The Marine Corps 10K will be held on **Sunday 22 October 2017**, but plan to register soon, as the race fills quickly. Register at www.dcpriest.org for both the 10K and Run for Vocations. It is not necessary to be part of a parish team to run.

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.

Human Resources

PARISH OFFICE HOURS: The parish office will be closed on **Monday, 04 September 2017** to celebrate Labor Day. Regular office hours are Monday through Friday, **10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.**

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?: As you prepare for the start of a busy fall, consider enrolling in eGiving through Faith Direct. Visit www.faithdirect.net and use our church code: **MD114** or pick up an enrollment form from the parish office.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

SEPTEMBER

- 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
- 07 Thu Sodality Rosary and Meeting, 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 6,7,8, 6:30 p.m. Fdrs. Hall
High School , 6:30 p.m., Rectory
- 26 Tue** Scripture Study, 10:00 a.m., Barn
St. Michael's Mass, Noon, Church
Faith Formation:
Grades K-5, 4:45 p.m., Founders Hall
- 30 Sat Baptism Prep. Class, 10:00 a.m., Barn

OCTOBER

- 01 Sun Mortgage Collection**
Church School, 9:00 am, Church
Faith Formation:
Grades 6, 7, 8, 6:30 p.m. Founders Hall
- 03 Tue Scripture Study, 10:00 a.m., Barn
Faith Formation:
Grades K-5, 4:45 p.m., Founders Hall
Knights of Columbus, 7:00 p.m., Barn