

## OUR LADY OF THE VISITATION, DARNESTOWN

### Liturgical Life

**SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER:** 18 – 19 April –  
Presiders:

5:00pm Fr. Mathew Punchayil  
9:00am Fr. Raymond Fecteau  
11:00 am Fr. Mathew Punchayil

#### Readings for the week of April 12, 2009

Sunday: Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Col 3:1-4 or  
1 Cor 5:6b-8/Jn 20:1-9 or Mk 16:1-7  
Monday: Acts 2:14, 22-33/Mt 28:8-15  
Tuesday: Acts 2:36-41/Jn 20:11-18  
Wednesday: Acts 3:1-10/Lk 24:13-35  
Thursday: Acts 3:11-26/Lk 24:35-48  
Friday: Acts 4:1-12/Jn 21:1-14  
Saturday: Acts 4:13-21/Mk 16:9-15  
Next Sunday: Acts 4:32-35/1 Jn 5:1-6/Jn 20:19-31

**QUEEN OF HEAVEN REJOICE:** Marian antiphon, *Regina Coeli*, is sung during the Easter Season. The text has inspired our Marian hymns in English. It was used as the *Magnificat* antiphon for the Octave of Easter in Rome as early as 1200. At Visitation Parish, we use it as a processional chant during the presentation of the gifts.

### Parish Life

**ECCE QUAM BONUM:** During the Sacred Triduum, **Charles Richard Schneider, Connie Rose Johnson and Lisa Karen Kelly** received the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist). **Bryan E. Jones, Charles C. Chong, Daniel Strickland, Michael Charles Doherty and Robert Ivor Macfarlane** were received into full communion in the Church and received the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist. **Jessica Schneider** celebrated **Baptism**. **Joseph Stephen Putonen, Nicholas Thomas Chong and Stephanie Eve Chong** celebrated **First Eucharist**. On Holy Thursday; **Casey Angelo Patti and Maya Valencia Rodriguez** celebrated **First Eucharist**.

**PARISH NECROLOGY:** On the anniversary of his death, please remember the following parishioner in your prayers: **John H. Zobel** (12 April 1996)

**POPE BENEDICT XVI IN WASHINGTON:** Relive the visit of Pope Benedict XVI to the Archdiocese of Washington in April 2008, in a special anniversary edition

of the book, *“Pope Benedict in Washington: Herald of Christ’s Hope.”* With more than 170 full-color photos on 104 pages, this keepsake volume chronicles the events leading up to the Pope’s arrival, and includes a special introduction by Archbishop Donald W. Wuerl. Forty pages highlight the papal Mass at Nationals Park. Cost is only \$24.95 plus \$6 shipping/handling. Look for promotional ads in our two archdiocesan newspapers, the *Catholic Standard* and *El Pregonero*.

**2009 ANNUAL JUBILARIAN MASS** honoring couples married 25, 30, 35, 40, 45 and 50 years or more will be held Sunday, 7 June 2009, 2:00pm at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. Archbishop Wuerl will be the celebrant. If you are interested in attending, please call the parish office, (301) 948-5536, ext. 108.

**SODALITY:** The OLVP Sodality is a community of women from the parish dedicated to spiritual, service and social endeavors. The next meeting of the Sodality will be Thursday, 16 April, 7:00pm in Founders Hall.

**PRAYER CHAIN:** If you would like to have special intentions remembered in our prayers, please call the parish office (301) 948-5536, ext. 103 or email [joconnor@olvp.org](mailto:joconnor@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**. Attendance during pregnancy is encouraged. The next Baptism class will be Saturday, 18 April, 10:00am in the church. To register for the next class, call (301) 948-5536, ext. 105.

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

**CATHOLIC ENGAGED ENCOUNTER:** Catholic Engaged Encounter is an experiential weekend that calls engaged couples to a sacramental way of life through the vocation of matrimony. For information or to register for a weekend, go to [www.dcengagedencounter.org](http://www.dcengagedencounter.org).

**MARRIAGE PLANNING:** It is Archdiocesan and parish policy that couples seeking to be married in the

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Church are to make arrangements with a priest or deacon a minimum of six months prior to setting a wedding date.

### *Faith Formation for Life*

**SCRIPTURE STUDY:** A study of the readings for next Sunday, *the Second Sunday of Easter*, will be on Tuesday, 14 April 2009, 10:00am, in the Barn.

**FAITH FORMATION K – 8: No sessions** Tuesday, 14 April and Wednesday, 15 April. Sessions resume on Tuesday 21 April and Wednesday 22 April.

**LAST SESSION for Grades 6 – 8:** End of the Year Celebration will be on Tuesday, 28 April and Wednesday, 29 April

**VACATION BIBLE CAMP:** Thanks to the children who have signed up for SONROCK KID'S CAMP. The adventure begins 22 – 27 June 2009. You will be receiving a music CD and camp instructions next month. At SONROCK KID'S CAMP we will discover that because of Christ's love for us, He is the rock upon which we can build our lives!

**OPERATION RICE BOWL:** Faith Formation children who forgot to bring in their Operation Rice Bowl donations before sessions ended will have the opportunity to do so through 23 April 2009. You may place your donations in an envelope marked ORB and place it in the collection on Saturday or Sunday or return them when we come back from vacation. If you have any questions, please call (301) 948-5536, ext. 104.

### *Social Concerns*

**LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR:** The Little Sisters of the Poor are looking for license beauticians to serve their elderly residents at Jeanne Jugan residence in Northeast Washington. Please contact Sr. Julie at (202) 269-1831

**THE LORD'S TABLE SOUP KITCHEN:** Please join us in preparing and serving dinner for the poor and homeless on Thursday, 30 April 2009 from 1:00pm – 5:00pm. Confirmation candidates may earn service hours helping with this ministry. Please call Joyce McCarthy, (301) 674-6754 and leave a message if you can join us.

**HOME MISSION COLLECTION:** There are many places right here in the United States and in its overseas dependencies where the Church is poor, communities are scattered, and priests are few. Money given to the Catholic Home Missions Appeal (CHMA) helps Catholic communities across America survive and thrive by underwriting evangelization, religious education, education for future priests, training for lay ministers, and poor parishes that would have to close their doors without outside help. The CHMA, which helps strengthen the Catholic Church in America, will be taken on the Third Sunday of Easter, 25 – 26 April. Your generosity is appreciated.

### *Human Resources*

**MAYFEST DONATIONS:** The OLVP Mayfest Committee is looking for donations for the Silent Auction and the Pick Your Prize Raffle. We are also looking for good, used cars to auction. If you have a donation for the Silent Auction, Pick Your Prize Raffle or a vehicle in good condition for auction, please call John Theis, (301) 977-9223 or email John at [john.theis@ey.com](mailto:john.theis@ey.com).

**SPRING CLEANING?** Please save your “gently used” items such as books (except textbooks and periodicals) knick-knacks, toys, videos, jewelry, fine dining items for our White Elephant Sale at the Mayfest, Saturday, 2 May 2009. This year there will be an opportunity to drop off your items after liturgy on Sunday, 19 April and Sunday, 26 April from 10:00am – 11:00am to 12:00 noon to 1:00pm; Thursday, 30 April from 2:00pm – 8:00pm and Friday, 1 May from 8:00am – 7:00pm. Items cannot be accepted after 7:00pm Friday, 1 May. The goal is for each family to donate at least one “gently used” item.

**CRAFTERS:** Craft vendors are welcome at our Mayfest on Saturday – Sunday, 2 – 3 May. Crafters are asked to supply their own tables, chairs, tent or other coverings. Cost for parishioners to reserve a space is \$10. Spaces are free to parish youth under the age of 18. Space fee for non-parishioners is \$20. For more information contact Barbara Kaplan at (301) 977-4459

**RUN FOR VOCATIONS:** Each year, the Archdiocese of Washington sponsors the “Run for Vocations” team for the Marine Corps Marathon. Consider joining us for the marathon, half-marathon and 10K race, to be held on 25 October 2009. All levels of runners and walkers are welcome. This is a unique experience to get into the best

shape of your life, accomplish an amazing goal of promoting vocations to the priesthood, to meet new people and to support our seminarians. For more information and to register, please contact Carol Flannery at [cflannery@adw@adw.org](mailto:cflannery@adw@adw.org) or call (301) 853-4584.

**PARISH OFFICE HOURS:** The parish office hours are Monday - Friday, 10:00am – 4:00pm. Please note the office is closed during the lunch hour, 12:00pm – 1:00pm. The parish office will be closed Monday, 13 April.

**PARISH RECORD KEEPING:** If you are planning to move out of the area or if you have a change in your address or telephone number, please advise the parish office (301) 948-5536, ext. 108 so the parish records can be updated. Thank you.

**BULLETIN DEADLINE:** If you wish to submit a bulletin article or a flyer for the Second Sunday of Easter, 18 – 19 April 2009, please call (301) 948-5536, ext. 103 or email [joconnor@olvp.org](mailto:joconnor@olvp.org) by noon on Tuesday, 14 April.

**Facilities**

**PARISH REPAIRS:** If you see a needed repair around the parish, please call the parish office, (301) 948-5536, ext. 103 and report the problem so we can get it fixed. Thank you.

**Finance**

**FORWARD IN FAITH** was implemented in 2004 to raise money to support the ministries and programs that are provided by the Archdiocese of Washington, Catholic Charities and many other Catholic agencies. As of 31 December 2008, Forward in Faith has raised more than \$100 million dollars in support of the six priorities that were outlined for the campaign. Please visit the Forward in Faith section of the Archdiocese of Washington website at [adw.org](http://adw.org) to learn more about the campaign's educational, pastoral and ministerial objectives. A Mass will be celebrated throughout the Archdiocese of Washington to acknowledge the work of Forward in Faith and to thank its supporters. After Mass there will be a reception and fellowship. The Forward in Faith Mass will be held Thursday, 7 May 2009, 7:30am at St. Patrick in Rockville, Maryland. Bishop Francisco Gonzalez will be the celebrant.

**MORTGAGE:** As of 01 April, our current mortgage balance is \$750,108.59. Our monthly principal/interest payment is \$18,500. The March revenue from the Mortgage Reduction collection amounted to \$26,343.34

**MARK YOUR CALENDAR**

**April**

- 13 Mon Parish Office Closed
- 14 Tue Scripture Study, 10:00am, Barn  
No Faith Formation Sessions
- 15 Wed No Faith Formation Sessions
- 16 Thu Sodality Meeting, 7:00pm
- 18 Sat RCIA Day of Recollection
- 19 Sun Welcome Weekend  
White Elephant Drop-Off, Pavilion  
10 – 11am and 12 noon – 1pm
- 21 Tue Scripture Study, 10:00am, Barn  
Faith Formation Sessions,  
4:30 & 6:30pm
- 22 Wed Faith Formation Sessions,  
4:30 & 6:30pm
- 26 Sun Home Missions Collection  
White Elephant Drop-Off, Pavilion  
10 – 11am and 12 noon – 1pm
- 28 Tue Scripture Study, 10:00am, Barn  
Faith Formation Sessions,  
4:30 & 6:30pm
- 29 Wed Faith Formation Sessions,  
4:30 & 6:30pm
- 30 Thu The Lord's Table Soup Kitchen  
Mayfest Set-up, 8:00am – 12 noon  
White Elephant Drop-off, 2 – 8pm  
Holy Hour, 7pm – 8pm, Thomas  
More Chapel, Barn

**May**

- 01 Fri White Elephant Set-up, 8am – 7pm
- 02 Sat Mayfest, 8:00am – 2:00pm
- 03 Sun Building Fund Collection  
Food Bags for St. Martin's Distributed  
Mayfest, 12 noon – 4pm

**SAVE THE DATE**

**May**

- 17 Sun Confirmation, 2:00pm
- 31 Sun Patronal Feast Day

**June**

- 07 Sun Parish Picnic

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