

OUR LADY OF THE VISITATION, DARNESTOWN

Liturgical Life

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

29 – 30 August:

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

Readings for the Week of August 23, 2009

Sunday:	Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b/Eph 5:21-32 or 5:2a,25-32/Jn 6:60-69
Monday:	Rv 21:9b-14/Jn 1:45-51
Tuesday:	1 Thes 2:1-8/Mt 23:23-26
Wednesday:	1 Thes 2:9-13/Mt 23:27-32
Thursday:	1 Thes 3:7-13/Mt 24:42-51
Friday:	1 Thes 4:1-8/Mt 25:1-13
Saturday:	1 Thes 4:9-11/Mk 6:17-29
Next Sunday:	Dt 4:1-2, 6-8/Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27/ Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

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.

SAINTS/WINDOWS: The stained glass windows, in the nave our church, were commissioned exclusively for Our Lady of the Visitation Parish. Their general design and their placement were authorized by James Cardinal Hickey and the Sacred Arts Committee of the Archdiocese of Washington. Because we are a parish named in honor of Mary, the fifteen windows in the apse celebrate the 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 of the tabernacle (ambo side) are the Glorious Mysteries (yellow). Four of the sixteen windows in the nave of our church celebrate feasts of Mary not contained in the mysteries of the rosary. Because our church was built in the Jubilee Year of 2000, twelve windows honor saints listed in the “Millennium Booklet” of the Archdiocese of Washington. Two other windows, those of Isidore and Peter Claver, mark feasts that are unique to the liturgical calendar in the United States. The grape-leaf border on the windows represents the communion of saints. The color of each border correlates to the liturgical season in which the feast usually occurs. The color of the cross in each window also varies: white for saints, red for martyrs, and gold for Mary. The name of the feast appears in the upper panel. The date of the feast appears in the lower panel. Symbols or stories

related to the feast and person appear in both upper and lower panels. The center medallion is a hand painted representation of the saint named in the window.

SUNDAY TV MASS for those who are homebound or suffering from an illness and watch the Sunday TV Mass, it has moved to a new channel and time. The mass is aired every Sunday at 10:30am on WDCW-50 (The “CW”) channel. The actual channel varies by provider. For those with an antenna or satellite television, the channel is 50; Comcast and Verizon users channel is 3 or 23; for those with RCN the channel is 15. If you have difficulty finding the right channel or would like to have the free Celebrate newsletter sent to someone who is homebound, please call the Archdiocese of Washington Office of Communications at (301) 853-4517.

MASS FOR BLESSING ON HUMAN LABOR: All are invited to join Archbishop Wuerl as he celebrates the annual Mass for Blessing on Human Labor, Saturday, 12 September at 5:15pm at the Cathedral of St. Matthew the Apostle. This special liturgical celebration will recognize the role of work as it expresses the essential dignity of every man and woman in society and pray for blessing on all workers and those who strive to foster a fair and just workplace. As our country celebrates Labor Day, the Church affirms its teaching on the value of work and the rights and dignity of workers.

MASSTIMES.ORG: While traveling this summer, don't forget to visit www.masstimes.org for Mass times and locations across the country.

Parish Life

ECCE QUAM BONUM: This weekend **Hannah Grace Gerardi, Regan Michele Tait** and **Connor Ryan Tait** celebrate **First Eucharist**.

IS SOMETHING MISSING IN YOUR LIFE? Is that restlessness one that can find its rest only in the living God? If so, you may want to learn more about the One who made you in his image and likeness. The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, which is better known as RCIA, is a process designed for three different groups of people: (1) adults who are not baptized and would like to join the Catholic Church, (2) adults who were baptized as children into the Catholic faith, but who have not completed their initiation in the Church because they have not celebrated their First Holy Communion and/or Sacrament of Confirmation, and (3) adults who have been validly baptized in another Christian denomination and who now want to be

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received in the Catholic Church. Please contact Deacon Bob Fischer at (301) 948-5536, ext. 106 or visit our RCIA website at <http://rcia.ihswb.net>.

EUCCHARISTIC CONGRESS will take place at the basilica of the national Shrine of the Immaculate Conception on Friday – Saturday, 11 – 12 September 2009. The theme is *Sacrifice of Enduring Love*. Liturgies, talks and events will focus on three vocations: priesthood, religious life and marriage. Speakers will include Archbishop Wuerl, Cardinals Sean O'Malley, Justin Rigali and Marc Ouellet, and dozens of others. A piece of the actual tilma of St. Juan Diego will be exhibited. For more information visit www.cmswr.org.

EPS: Education – Parish – Service is offering a course on “*God’s Covenant and Community*”, an introduction to the Catholic approach to interpreting Sacred Scripture, Tuesdays, 8 September - 27 Oct. from 10am–12:30pm. On Tuesday evenings, EPS is offering the course: “*Liturgy, the Heart of Catholic Evangelization*”, a history of Catholic liturgy and the principles of liturgical planning and practice from 7:15pm–9pm, from 8 September to 13 October. Classes are held on the campus of Trinity University in Washington, DC. For a listing of additional upcoming courses, visit <http://eps.trinitydc.edu>, contact Ann Kitterman at kittermana@trinitydc.edu, or call (202) 884-9030

PRAYER CHAIN: If you would like to have a special intention remembered in our prayers, please call the parish office (301) 948-5536, ext. 103 or email joconnor@olvp.org.

MARRIAGE PLANNING: 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.

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. To register for a Baptism Class, please call the parish office, (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. Engaged Encounter focuses on communication in your relationship. You will learn new

tools for listening, writing and enhancing your communication with each other. Engaged Encounter encourages couples to reach within themselves to discover or reinforce the belief that marriage can be forever, that love is forever, and that God wishes to be forever present in this sacramental relationship. For information or to register for a weekend, go to www.dcengagedencounter.org.

Faith Formation for Life

SCRIPTURE STUDY: A study of the readings for next Sunday, the *Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time*, will be on Tuesday, 25 August 2009, 10:00am, in the Barn.

FAITH FORMATION K – 8: Registration forms have been mailed to all children currently enrolled in our Faith Formation program. If you are a new parishioner and would like more information about our program or would like to enroll your children, please call (301) 948-5536, ext. 107 or ext. 114. Classes begin Tuesday, 6 October and Wednesday, 7 October.

HIGH SCHOOL FAITH FORMATION: Teens in grades 9 – 12 are invited to join Fr. Ray for scripture and snacks one Sunday a month in Founders Hall, 6:30pm – 7:45pm. Check the Sunday bulletin and the Mark Your Calendar section for dates. To register please call the Faith Formation office at (301) 948-5536, ext. 107 or 114.

CATECHISTS AND ASSISTANTS NEEDED for 2009 – 2010 School Year: Faith Formation is actively recruiting volunteers for the 2009 – 2010 school year. If you are interested in sharing your faith with our parish children, please call Michele Olewack, (301) 948-5536, ext. 107, or email molewack@olvp.org.

SAVE THE DATE: The Archdiocese of Washington Child Protection Policy Training will be held in Founders Hall on Wednesday, 2 September, 7:00pm – 9:30pm. This course is mandated by the Archdiocese of Washington for everyone who will be working with children. For more information, call the parish office (301) 948-5536, ext. 107.

INTERESTED IN BECOMING A CERTIFIED CATECHIST? There are approximately 28 courses in the Hearts AFlame Catechist Formation Program scheduled this semester around the Archdiocese. For more information contact the Office for Religious Education at (301) 853-4506.

CATECHETICAL DAY 2009 – Mark your calendar for Saturday, 17 October 2009 at Our Lady of Good Counsel

High School, 17301 Old Vic Boulevard in Olney MD.
Registration information will be available soon.

Finance

Social Concerns

CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY ANNUAL DIOCESAN COLLECTION will be taken throughout the Archdiocese of Washington the weekend of 12 – 13 September 2009. All the funds received through this collection support the university’s financial aid program. Your contributions directly benefit students from all over the United States, including our own archdiocese, by funding scholarships for those who would not otherwise be able to attend CUA.

HEAD START ADOPTED FAMILIES COLLECTION: Please help outfit the children of several Montgomery county families in the Head Start Program. Slips with items needed, sizes, color, etc. will be distributed in Founders Hall the weekend of 12 – 13 September. Items should be returned the following weekend, 19 – 20 September.

Human Resources

PARISH OFFICE HOURS: Parish office hours are Monday – Friday, **10:00am – 4:00pm**. Please note the office is closed during the lunch hour, 12:00 noon – 1:00pm.

PARISH RECORD KEEPING: If you **changed your address, phone number**, or plan to **move out of the area**, please advise the parish office of the change by calling (301) 948-5536, ext. 103 so our records can be updated. Thank you.

BULLETIN/FLYERS DEADLINE: If you wish to submit a bulletin article or a separate insert/flyer for in the bulletin please submit the information by calling Jean O’Connor, (301) 948-5536, ext. 103 or email joconnor@olvp.org by noon on Monday.

Facilities

TRAFFIC PATTERNS: For the health and safety of all, please follow the designated traffic patterns for our church. Enter from Seneca Road and take an immediate right onto the first driveway. Exit via the second drive (furthest from Seneca Road) and turn left toward Seneca Road. Fire regulations prohibit parking in the circle during services. Please drive counter-clockwise in the circle.

SIGN UP FOR FAITH DIRECT, an easy and convenient way to make your weekly offertory and monthly mortgage reduction donations to OLVP. Your payments will automatically be deducted from your checking, savings or credit card account. Parishioners are asked to consider this form of giving to help provide the parish with a consistent level of giving year-round.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

August

- 16 Sun Catholic Communication Collection
- 18 Tue Scripture Study, 10:00am, Barn
- 25 Tue Scripture Study, 10:00am, Barn

September

- 01 Tue Scripture Study, 10:00am, Barn
- 02 Wed Archdiocese of Washington Child Protection Training, 7:00pm, Founders Hall
- 03 Thu Holy Hour, 7:00pm – 8:00pm Thomas More Chapel
- 07 Mon Labor Day Parish Office Closed
- 08 Tue Scripture Study, 10:00am, Barn
- 13 Sun Holy Name at 9:00am Liturgy Head Start Families Collection Slips Distributed
- 15 Tue Scripture Study, 10:00 am, Barn
- 16 Wed Parish Ember Day
- 18 Fri Parish Ember Day
- 19 Sat Parish Ember Day
- 20 Sun Catechetical Day Head Start Families Collection Items Returned
- 21 Mon RCIA, 7:00pm, Founders Hall
- 22 Tue Scripture Study, 10:00am, Barn
- 27 Sun Church in Africa Collection
- 28 Mon RCIA, 7:00pm, Founders Hall

October

- 01 Thu Holy Hour, 7:00pm – 8:00pm Thomas More Chapel
- 04 Sun High School Faith Formation Session 6:30pm – 7:45pm, Founders Hall
- 05 Mon RCIA, 7:00pm, Founders Hall
- 06 Tue Scripture Study, 10:00am, Barn Faith Formation Sessions Begin
- 07 Wed Faith Formation Sessions Begin
- 11 Sun Holy Name Society at 9:00am Liturgy

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