

OUR LADY OF THE VISITATION, DARNESTOWN

Liturgical Life

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 12 – 13 September: Presiders

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

Readings for the Week of September 6, 2009

Sunday:	Is 35:4-7a/Jas 2:1-5/Mk 7:31-37
Monday:	Col 1:24--2:3/Lk 6:6-11
Tuesday:	Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30/Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 or 1:18-23
Wednesday:	Col 3:1-11/Lk 6:20-26
Thursday:	Col 3:12-17/Lk 6:27-38
Friday:	1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14/Lk 6:39-42
Saturday:	1 Tm 1:15-17/Lk 6:43-49
Next Sunday:	Is 50:5-9a/Jas 2:14-18/Mk 8:27-35

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: 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) arrive 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.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS: The fall 2009 schedule has been mailed to all ministers. Please contact the parish office, (301) 948-5536. ext. 105 if you have not received your copy.

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.

MASS FOR BLESSING ON HUMAN LABOR: 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.

Parish Life

ECCE QUAM BONUM: This weekend *Aaron Christopher Mushro, Jr.* celebrates **Baptism**.

REQUIESCAT IN PACE: It saddens we announce the death of *the Reverend Thomas J. Sheehan*, a priest of the Archdiocese of Washington. We commend him and his family to God in our prayers.

PARISH NECROLOGY: On the anniversary of their death, please keep in your prayers *Harry T. Lackey* (10 September 2002) and *Vincent Burns* (10 September 1994).

MARY OF NAZARETH K – 2 SOCCER: All children interested in playing soccer in the Mary of Nazareth K-2 Soccer program are encouraged to sign up. The K-2 program is a non-competitive league with an emphasis on instruction. Games are on Saturday morning beginning in late September and teams practice one evening per week. Registration forms will be coming home in the next two weeks for those students enrolled at the school. Parish children are also eligible to play – please contact Ed Barrow at ed.barrow@rsmi.com for a registration form, if your children do not attend Mary of Nazareth.

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 received in the Catholic Church. Please contact Deacon Bob

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Fischer at (301) 948-5536, ext. 106 or visit our RCIA website at <http://rcia.ihsweb.net>.

EUCHARISTIC 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 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 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-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time*, will be on Tuesday, 8 September 2009, 10:00am, in the Barn.

FAITH FORMATION CELEBRATION: Faith Formation will sponsor a Welcome Weekend on Sunday, 4 October 2009, after the 9:00am liturgy. Refreshments will be served in Founders Hall. “Son Rock Kids Camp, the Movie” starring our very own parish kids and teens will be showing. Don’t miss it!

CORRECTION: Faith Formation sessions for K – 5 begin at 4:30pm – 5:45pm, not at 5:00pm as noted in last week’s bulletin flyer insert.

FAITH FORMATION - HIGH SCHOOL: Teens in grades 9 – 12 meet with Fr. Ray the first Sunday of each month from 6:30pm – 7:45pm in the lower level of the church for S and S (Scripture and Snacks). Teens enrolling for the first time will receive a copy of the Catholic Youth Bible; former participants can BYOB (Bring your own bible). The fee is \$60.00 per teen (scholarships are available). Registration for this session will be held on 4 October 2009 in the lower level foyer at 6:30pm.

FAITH FORMATION K – 8: The deadline for early registration in our Faith Formation program was 25 August 2009. Tuition after this date is \$150.00 per child. Out of parish tuition is \$275.00. In order to facilitate our 6 – 7 October opening, please return your registration forms **no later than 7 September 2009**. Time must be allotted for recruiting catechists and assistants and also for ordering books. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter. If you have any questions, please call Michele Olewack, (301) 948-5536, ext. 107. Please note, the Tuesday sessions are filling up quickly. There are 16 children registered for the 2nd grade session – this session is now closed.

CATECHISTS AND ASSISTANTS NEEDED for 2009 – 2010 School Year: Faith Formation is actively recruiting volunteers for the 2009 – 2010 school year. Please consider sharing your faith with our parish children. For information, call Michele Olewack, (301) 948-5536, ext. 107.

SAVE THE DATE: Catechists and Assistants: Sunday, 20 September 2009 is Catechetical Sunday. All catechists and assistants are invited to attend the 9:00am Liturgy

followed by a Breakfast/Formation morning from 10:00am - 12:00noon. For information call (301) 948-5536, ext. 107.

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 next weekend, 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**. The office is closed during the lunch hour, **12:00 noon – 1:00pm**.

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.

Finance

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

September

- 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
Catechists at 9:00am Liturgy
Catechists Breakfast/Formation Mtg.
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 Welcome Weekend
Mission Coop Sunday
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
4:30pm – 5:45pm & 6:30pm – 7:45pm
- 07 Wed Faith Formation Sessions Begin
4:30pm – 5:45pm & 6:30pm – 7:45pm
- 11 Sun Holy Name Society at 9:00am Liturgy

SAVE THE DATE

November

- 01 Sun Archbishop Wuerl, 9:00am Liturgy
Blessing of Windows

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