

OUR LADY OF THE VISITATION, DARNESTOWN

Liturgical Life

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 19
– 20 September: Presiders

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

Readings for the Week of September 13, 2009

Sunday: Is 50:5-9a/Jas 2:14-18/Mk 8:27-35
Monday: Nm 21:4b-9/Phil 2:6-11/Jn 3:13-17
Tuesday: 1 Tm 3:1-13/Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35
Wednesday: 1 Tm 3:14-16/Lk 7:31-35
Thursday: 1 Tm 4:12-16/Lk 7:36-50
Friday: 1 Tm 6:2c-12/Lk 8:1-3
Saturday: 1 Tm 6:13-16/Lk 8:4-15
Next Sunday: Wis 2:12, 17-20/Jas 3:16---4:3/Mk 9:30-37

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: 19 October, Isaac Jogues (1607 – 1646), John de Brebeuf, Charles Garnier, Anthony Daniel, Gabriel Lallemand, Noel Chabanel, John de Lalande, and Rene Goupil were French Jesuit missionaries. They preached the gospel to the Hurons and the Iroquois in what is now part of Quebec Province and New York State. Father Jogues suffered torture and mutilation. After escaping from his captors, he later returned to minister to the Iroquois. These Jesuits, priests and lay assistants, were martyred by the Iroquois between 1642 and 1649. The official seal of the Society of Jesus contains symbols for Christ crucified (upper panel). Ships that sailed to New France flew flags with a white cross on a blue field (lower panel).

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.

Parish Life

ECCE QUAM BONUM: This weekend **Kenneth Robert Baer** celebrates **First Eucharist**.

PARISH EMBER DAYS: Responding to the gospel and following Church tradition, Visitation parishioners are encouraged to voluntarily set aside Wednesday, 16

September, Friday, 18 September and Saturday, 19 September as special days of fasting, prayer and works of charity.

OUR LADY OF SORROWS at Catholic Cemeteries: On Tuesday, 15 September, Our Lady of Sorrows is commemorated in every Catholic Church all over the world. Remembrance of this day can be especially consoling to families who have lost a loved one during the past year. Come seek the consolation of our Blessed Mother at a special Mass and Rosary at Catholic Cemeteries. The commemoration of Our Lady of Sorrows will be held on Tuesday, 15 September, 9:00am at Gate of Heaven Cemetery, 13801 Georgia Avenue, Silver Spring MD. For more information, call (301) 871-1300 or visit ccaw.org.

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

MORNING OF RECOLLECTION: All are invited to attend a morning of recollection which includes mass, rosary, reflection, Holy Hour for Vocations and confessions on Saturday, 19 September, 8:30am – 12 noon at The Shrine of St. Jude, 12701 Veirs Mill Rd, Rockville. The Rev. Robert E. Walsh, Secretary to Cardinal McCarrick and Assistant Director of Priest Vocations will speak on “*The Gift and Mystery of the Priesthood Revealed*”. For further information or for questions call: (301) 853-4584 or email moriartym@adw.org.

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MEN'S DISCERNMENT DINNER: have you ever felt called to the priesthood? If so, consider joining Cardinal McCarrick for the Men's Discernment Dinner on Sunday, 20 September, 4:00pm – 8:00pm at St. Stephen martyr, 25th St. and Pennsylvania Avenue, NW. Street parking is limited; nearest metro stop is Foggy Bottom. The evening includes Holy mass, dinner and a chance to discuss the priesthood with other young men from the Washington DC area. Participants should be single, practicing Catholics of college age and up. Please RSVP to attend. For more information and to register, contact Msgr. Robert Panke, Director of Priest Vocations and Formation, (301) 853-4580 or email vocations@adw.org.

PERMANENT DIACONATE: The archdiocesan Office of the Permanent Diaconate is interested in speaking with men who have an interest in becoming a permanent deacon. Learn more about the diaconate online at www.adw.org/vocations/deacons.asp. The site includes contact information, current admissions criteria for the Archdiocese of Washington's permanent deacon formation program and a brief description of a deacon's role in the church today.

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-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time*, will be on Tuesday, 15 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 registration in our Faith Formation program was 7 September 2009 which allowed time for recruiting catechists and assistants and also for ordering books. If you have any questions, please call (301) 948-5536, ext. 107. Please note: There are 16 children registered for the 2nd grade Tuesday 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.

ATTENTION 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 in Founders Hall. For additional information call (301) 948-5536, ext. 107.

SUPPORT CATHOLIC EDUCATION: If you choose to make charitable donations through the Combined Federal campaign (CFC), please support Mary of Nazareth School. The school's CFC number is 79665.

Social Concerns

SOCIAL CONCERNS WEEKEND is an opportunity to learn more about the activities of our parish in service to our community. Several of our ministries present opportunities to volunteer as an individual or as a family. Please join us in Founders Hall after all of the masses this weekend, 12 - 13 September.

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.

WORKSHOP FOR MINISTRY TO THE HOME-BOUND: In partnership with Providence Hospital, the Archdiocese of Washington is offering a workshop for ministry to parishioners who are elderly, sick or homebound. Priests, pastoral staff and lay ministers are invited to participate. Topics to be addressed include praying with the sick, insights into suffering and end-of-life issues and practical skills for home visits. This workshop will be led by a team from Providence Hospital. Participants have a choice of two sessions: Saturday, 10 October 9:00am – 1:000pm at the cathedral of St. Matthew, North conference Room, 1725 Rhode Island Ave., NW or Tuesday, 13 October, 10:00am – 2:30pm at Providence Hospital (Ross Auditorium), 1150 Varnum St. NE.

Human Resources

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

MORTGAGE: As of 1 September our mortgage debt is \$675,185.94. Our monthly interest/principal payment is \$18,500. The August revenue from our Building Fund collection amounted to \$8,583.33.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

September

- 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
First Eucharist Parent Meeting
7:00pm, Founders Hall
- 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
- 12 Mon Parish Office Closed
- 13 Tue Scripture Study, 10:00am, Barn
Faith Formation Sessions, 4:30 & 6:30pm
- 14 Wed Faith Formation Session, 4:30 & 6:30pm

SAVE THE DATE

November

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

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