

OUR LADY OF THE VISITATION, DARNESTOWN

Liturgical Life

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 26
– 27 September: Presiders

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

Readings for the Week of September 20, 2009

Sunday: Wis 2:12, 17-20/Jas 3:16--4:3/Mk 9:30-37
Monday: Eph 4:1-7, 11-13/Mt 9:9-13
Tuesday: Ezr 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20/Lk 8:19-21
Wednesday: Ezr 9:5-9/Lk 9:1-6
Thursday: Hg 1:1-8/Lk 9:7-9
Friday: Hg 2:1-9/Lk 9:18-22
Saturday: Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a/Lk 9:43b-45
Next Sunday: Nm 11:25-29/Jas 5:1-6/Mk 9:38-43,
45, 47-48

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).

Parish Life

ECCE QUAM BONUM: This weekend *Ethan Joseph Hidalgo* and *Jacob Lucas Hidalgo* celebrate **Baptism**. *Hannah Isabelle Harnois* celebrates **First Eucharist**.

PARISH NECROLOGY: On the anniversary of his death, please remember **Andrew Garde** (22 September 1994) in your prayers.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION: An hour of silent adoration before the Blessed Sacrament will be held on

Thursday, 1 October, 7:00pm – 8:00pm in the Thomas More Chapel in the parish Barn.

FIRST EUCHARIST/RECONCILIATION PARENT MEETING for those parishioners who will be receiving their First Eucharist and Reconciliation in 2010 will be held on Thursday, 1 October, 7:00pm in the church.

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.

HELPING CHILDREN THROUGH PARENTAL SEPARATION AND DIVORCE SEMINAR will be held Tuesday, 6 October, 7:00 – 8:30pm at St. Elizabeth School library in Rockville. Learn how to help children in grades 3 – 8 cope with parental separation and divorce. Gain a better understanding of the cognitive development of youth, the challenges of parental breakup from their perspective and learn what to do to encourage their healing and growth. Registration is required. For more information, contact the Archdiocesan Office of Family Life at flm@adw.org.

EVENING OF REFLECTION for Catholic Married Couples to renew their sacramental views of marriage will be held on Friday, 9 October, 6:30pm at the Shrine of the Most Blessed Sacrament, 3630 Quesada St., NW, Washington DC. Following dinner, Msgr. John Enzler will lead a reflection on the sacrament of marriage. Cost is \$10. For registration/information contact the Archdiocesan Office of Family Life at flm@adw.org (301) 853-5337.

MARIAN PILGRIMAGE: Sunday, 11 October 2009, Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception beginning with the Rosary at 2:30pm followed by Mass at 3:00pm. The theme is “*Mary, Mother of the Church and of Our Families*”. The principal celebrant and homilist is Bishop Martin D. Holley.

CYO BASKETBALL: Mary of Nazareth Catholic School will soon be forming basketball teams for children in grades three through eight. All parish children are welcome to participate. Grades 3 and 4 play in the CYO Rookie league, and is instructional basketball; grades 5 through 8 play in competitive basketball leagues in CYO. Skills assessment for team assignments will be conducted during the month of October, some in early October. Further information on skills assessment dates and times will be posted on the Mary of Nazareth website: <http://www.maryofnazareth.org> under

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the “Sports” pull down menu. Questions can be addressed to Gavin O’Brien (gavin.obrien@nist.gov) or Don Archer (darcher561@verizon.net).

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.

Faith Formation for Life

SCRIPTURE STUDY: A study of the readings for next Sunday, the *Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time*, will be on Tuesday, 22 September 2009, 10:00am, in the Barn.

FAITH FORMATION CELEBRATION: Faith Formation will provide refreshments in Founders Hall on Sunday, 4 October 2009, after the 9:00am liturgy. “*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

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: If you have not registered for K – 8 sessions, and would like your child to attend, 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.

ARCHDIOCESAN CATECHETICAL DAY: Saturday, 17 October, 8:00am – 4:00pm, at Our Lady of Good Counsel High School, Olney MD. Registration deadline is Friday, 9 October; cost is \$20 and includes lunch. Archbishop Wuerl will give the Keynote Address on “Catechesis and the Proclamation of the Word”. For more 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.

PARENTS AND TEENS in grades 7 – 12 are invited to attend “*Mixed Messages: Untangling the Myths about Sex and Love*” on Wednesday, 21 October, 7:00pm. – 8:30pm at St. Patrick Church in Rockville, MD. China Briceno, a dynamic chastity speaker, will talk to the teens while parents will have a brief presentation and time to ask questions about supporting your child in living a chaste life. The parent session includes refreshments. For more information, please visit www.adw.org or contact Michelle Carper at (301) 853-4555 or mcarper@adw.org.

Social Concerns

HEAD START ADOPTED FAMILIES COLLECTION: Please bring your donation to help outfit the children of several Montgomery County families in the Head Start Program this weekend, 19 – 20 September, and place them in the foyer on the lower level of the church.

CHURCH IN AFRICA COLLECTION: 26 – 27 September. In the past 25 years, the number of Catholics in Africa has increased from 55 million to 144 million and the number of priests has increased by 73 percent. Over 70 percent of Africans live on less than \$2.00 per day and this poverty cripples the ability of the local Church to raise sufficient funds for pastoral needs from the faithful. Your contribution helps support pastoral outreach and catechetical programs. Your generosity is appreciated.

MISSIONARY COOPERATIVE PLAN: 3 – 4 October. Catechetical Sisters of Arogyamatha, in the Southern part of

India will be at our parish the weekend of 3 – 4 October to share their mission experiences. Their main work is to evangelize the poor and to catechize the new Catholics from the rural villages. They also care for the pastoral, spiritual, evangelical and educational needs of orphans, young girls and women. Your generosity to this missionary work is very much appreciated.

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. Participants have a choice of two sessions: Saturday, 10 October 9:00am – 1:00pm 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

NEW PARISHIONERS: The following families have recently joined our parish: **Ms. Pamela Sotomayor** and **Mr. & Mrs. Jeffrey Watkins**.

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

SAFEGWAY CARD: Please re-link your Safeway card to benefit Our Lady of the Visitation at www.escrip.com. We also participate in the Harris Teeter fundraising program. You can link/re-link your Vic Card at the store or at

www.harristeeter.com. We receive funds based upon your grocery purchases. A few minutes of your time can yield large rewards for our parish at no cost to you. Please note that you can split your account between your school and our parish. Thank you for your support.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR	
September	
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	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
18 Sun	World Mission Collection
19 Mon	RCIA, 7:00pm, Founders Hall
20 Tue	Scripture Study, 10:00am, Barn Faith Formation Sessions, 4:30 7 6:30pm
21 Wed	Faith Formation Session, 4:30 & 6:30pm
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November	
01 Sun	Archbishop Wuerl, 9:00am Liturgy Blessing of Windows

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