

## OUR LADY OF THE VISITATION, DARNESTOWN

### Liturgical Life

#### PENTECOST SUNDAY: 22 - 23 May, Presiders:

5:00pm Fr. Raymond Fecteau

9:00am Fr. Raymond Fecteau–Family Liturgy

11:00am Fr. Raymond Fecteau

#### Readings for the Week of May 16, 2010

Sunday: Acts 1:1-11/Eph 1:17-23 3/Lk 24:46-53

Monday: Acts 19:1-8/Jn 16:29-33

Tuesday: Acts 20:17-27/Jn 17:1-11a

Wednesday: Acts 20:28-38/Jn 17:11b-19

Thursday: Acts 22:30; 23:6-11/Jn 17:20-26

Friday: Acts 25:13b-21/Jn 21:15-19

Saturday: Acts 28:16-20, 30-31/Jn 21:20-25

Next Sunday: Acts 2:1-11/1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 /  
Jn 20:19-23 or 14:15-16, 23b-26

**PENTECOST SUNDAY:** Parishioners are encouraged to wear something red on Pentecost Sunday which celebrates the birth of the Catholic Church.

**EASTER SEASON:** The fifty days from Easter Sunday to Pentecost are celebrated in joyful exultation as one feast day, or better, as one “great Sunday” (Atanasius, *Epist. Fest.*). These above all others are the days for the singing of the *Alleluia* (General Norms, 22). The Paschal candle, a symbol of the presence of the risen Christ among the people of God, remains in the sanctuary near the altar or ambo through Vespers on Pentecost Sunday. Its use is encouraged at all liturgical celebrations, especially Mass and liturgy of the Hours. Infant baptisms could fittingly be celebrated on any Sunday of the Easter season, including Pentecost day. It is also appropriate that children receive their first communion on one or other of the Sundays of Easter.

### Parish Life

**ECCE QUAM BONUM:** This weekend, **Olivia Grace D’Antona, Benjamin Egon McDowell and Paige Christine McNeal** celebrate **First Eucharist**.

**REQUIESCAT IN PACE:** It is with sadness we announce the death of **Barbara Huffert**, mother of **Anthony Huffert**. We commend her and her family to God in our prayers.

**PARISH NECROLOGY:** On the anniversary of their death, please keep the following parishioners in your prayers: **Helene Walker** (21 May 2006) and **G. Alan Hellowell** (22 May 2006).

**SAINTS/WINDOWS: 30 June, Pierre Toussaint** (1766 – 1853). Pierre Toussaint was born a slave in Haiti (upper panel). Jean and Marie Berard brought him to New York City in 1787, where he became a hairdresser. He attended mass daily. With Elizabeth Ann Seton, he founded one of New York City’s first orphanages, and he helped raise funds for the city’s first cathedral. In 1990, John Cardinal O’Connor moved his remains to the crypt beneath the high altar of St. Patrick’s Cathedral (lower panel).

**QUEEN OF HEAVEN REJOICE:** The 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.

**OLVP SODALITY BRUNCH:** The 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Sodality Mass and Breakfast will be held on Saturday, 22 May. Mass will begin at 10:00am followed by 6 brunch in Founders Hall. Cost is \$15 per person; children under 10 are free. You do not have to be a sodalist to attend this event. For more information, contact Maureen Dingivan at [dingivanm@verizon.net](mailto:dingivanm@verizon.net).

**ROSARIES:** During the month of May, blessed rosaries will be available in the back of the church in a basket placed at the statue of the Blessed Mary. If you are in need of a rosary, please help yourself.

**JUBILARIAN MASS TIME CHANGE:** Archbishop Donald Wuerl will celebrate the annual Jubilarian mass on **Sunday, 6 June 2010, at 3:00pm**, at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception.

**PARISH PICNIC:** Our annual parish picnic will be held on Sunday, 6 June 2010, 4:00pm – 7:00pm at the parish Pavilion, rain or shine. In addition to games for the whole family, there will be hot dogs and hamburgers on the grill; drinks will be provided. Families with the last name beginning with the letters A through H, please bring a salad to share; I through P, please bring a side dish (pasta, rice, vegetable) to share

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and Q through Z, please bring a dessert to share.

**2010 QUO VADIS CAMP FOR HIGH SCHOOL YOUNG MEN:** Join other high school young men at the second annual Quo Vadis Camp from Sunday, 18 July through Wednesday, 21 July at the Msgr. O'Dwyer Retreat Center in Sparks, MD. Cost is \$100; scholarships are available. Contact Fr. Rob Walsh, (301) 853-4580 for information.

**LITURGY OF THE HOURS:** Morning Prayer is prayed before the 9:15am daily liturgy. Morning Prayer begins at 8:45am in the Thomas More Chapel.

**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](mailto:joconnor@olvp.org).

**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 mass, call the parish office to arrange for visitation and Communion in your home.

**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, call the please call the parish office, (301) 948-55365, ext. 105.

**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 further 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 Church 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, *Pentecost Sunday*, will be on Tuesday, 18 May, 10:00am, in the Barn.

**GOLF OUTING:** Mary of Nazareth School is having a Golf Outing on Friday, 21 May, 1:00pm at the Blue Mash Golf Course in Olney MD. Proceeds will benefit the Mary of Nazareth Sport, Recreation, and Facilities Improvement Fund to help better our students athletic and recreation facilities while at the same time helping offset the costs associated with running our sports programs. Participation is limited to the first 120 golfers. Entry fees are \$175 per individual or \$700 per foursome. Entry fees include lunch, golf, prizes, awards, contest and dinner as well as refreshments both on and off the golf course. Sponsorship opportunities are available. For more information and to download player and sponsorship registration forms, visit the school website at [www.maryofnazareth.org](http://www.maryofnazareth.org).

**VACATION BIBLE CAMP IS ONGOING!** Join us on our **High Seas Expedition**. Set sail this summer, feel the sea spray on your face as sails snap overhead and you and your crew get ready to experience the deep rolling waters of GOD'S LOVE. This year we will hold TWO, ONE WEEK expeditions. The first expedition will run from 21 – 25 June from 9:00am – 1:00pm. The second expedition will run from 28 June – 2 July. You may choose to attend either expedition, OR BOTH. The expedition fee is \$95 per week, per sailor for parishioners, and \$115 per week, per sailor for non-parishioners. For more information, call Jackie at (301) 948-5536, ext. 114.

**KEEPING KIDS SAFE:** Parents, guardians and other adults who care for children face constant challenges in trying to help keep children safe in today's fast-paced world. The Archdiocese of Washington office of Child Protection Services has created a series of parent guides, "*Keeping Kids Safe*," covering general safety tips, internet safety, cyber bullying, texting, healthy teen relationships and the archdiocesan child protection policy. Please visit [www.adw.org](http://www.adw.org) and click on "Protecting Our Children."

**EPS:** The Ministry of Catechesis and Catechetical Methodology will be taught by Neil A. Parent, former executive director of the National Conference for Catechetical Leadership and a national expert on faith formation. The course will be held from 7 – 9pm, Thursdays, 3, 10, 17 and 24 June, in the EPS classroom, on the campus of Trinity Washington University. The course will cover the catechist's role in religious educa-

tion and an overview of Church teaching documents on catechesis and their application to lifelong faith formation. Suggested donation is \$100 for the four-week course. To register, call (202) 884-9030 or email [kittermana@trinitydc.edu](mailto:kittermana@trinitydc.edu).

**MAKE A DIFFERENCE – TEACH IN A CATHOLIC SCHOOL:** Discover a diverse, faith-filled environment where teachers are empowered to impact young lives through faith, service and scholarship. Discover the difference you can make in students' lives. Faculty positions are available across the archdiocese. For employment information and a listing of the available faculty positions, call (301) 853-4518, visit [www.CatholicSchoolsWork.org](http://www.CatholicSchoolsWork.org), or send an email to [teacherapplications@adw.org](mailto:teacherapplications@adw.org).

### *Social Concerns*

**ARCHBISHOP'S APPEAL UPDATE:** To date our parish has pledged \$89,520.00 to the Archbishop's Appeal which is 119% over our 2010 Appeal Goal. The average pledge per household was \$364.00. Thank you for your generosity.

**ADOPTED FAMILIES:** Thank you to all the parishioners who contributed to our Adopted Families collection. The families appreciated the much needed items.

**CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES COLLECTION** will be the weekend of 16 – 17 May. The Catholic Relief Services (CRS) supports five Catholic organizations that advance the international social ministry of the Catholic Church.

### *Human Resources*

**PARISH OFFICE HOURS:** Regular office hours are Monday-Friday, 10:00am–4:00pm. The office is closed during the lunch hour, 12:00noon – 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 (301) 948-5536, ext. 103 or email [joconnor@olvp.org](mailto:joconnor@olvp.org) by noon on Friday.

### *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.

### *Finance*

**CAR RAFFLE:** Thank you to everyone who participated in the car raffle. Our parish received \$759.09 from the sales of the tickets.

**MORTGAGE:** As of 1 May, our current mortgage balance is \$551,283.56. Our monthly principal/interest payment is \$18,500. The April revenue from the Mortgage Reduction collection is \$9,103.

### MARK YOUR CALENDAR

#### May

- 16 Sun Catholic Relief Services Collection
- 18 Tue Scripture Study, 10:00am, Barn
- 22 Sat Sodality Breakfast, 10:00am, Church
- 24 Sun **Pentecost Sunday**  
Family Liturgy, 9:00am
- 25 Tue Scripture Study, 10:00am, Barn
- 31 Mon Patronal Feast Day  
Parish Office Closed

#### June

- 01 Tue Scripture Study, 10:00am, Barn
- 03 Thu Holy Hour, 7pm, Thomas More Chapel
- 06 Sun **Parish Picnic, 4pm – 7pm**
- 08 Tue Scripture Study, 10:00am, Barn
- 13 Sun Holy Name Society at 9:00am Liturgy
- 15 Tue Scripture Study, 10:00am, Barn
- 21 Mon Vacation Bible Camp Session I Begins
- 22 Tue Scripture Study, 10:00am, Barn
- 25 Fri Vacation Bible Camp, Session I Ends
- 27 Sun Peter's Pence Collection
- 29 Tue Scripture Study, 10:00am, Barn