

OUR LADY OF THE VISITATION, DARNESTOWN

Liturgical Life



SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER: 01 MAY. Presiders:

7:00 a.m. Fr. Mathew Punchayil

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11:00 a.m. Fr. Raymond Fecteau

Readings for the Week of April 24, 2011

Sunday:	Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/Jn 20:1-9 or Mt 28:1-10
Monday:	Acts 2:14, 22-33/Mt 28:8-15
Tuesday:	Acts 2:36-41/Jn 20:11-18
Wednesday:	Acts 3:1-10/Lk 24:13-35
Thursday:	Acts 3:11-26/Lk 24:35-48
Friday:	Acts 4:1-12/Jn 21:1-14
Saturday:	Acts 4:13-21/Mk 16:9-15
Next Sunday:	Acts 2:42-47/1 Pt 1:3-9/Jn 20:19-31

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” (Athanasius, *Epist. Fest.*). These above all others are the days for the singing of the *Alleluia* (General Norms, 22). The days of the Easter octave form the “early hours” of this “Great Sunday”, with accounts of the Lord who rose early in the morning, and the early preaching of the disciples who were witnesses to his resurrection. 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 the other of the Sundays of Easter.

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

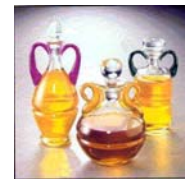
Magnificat antiphon for the Octave of Easter in Rome as early as 1200. At Visitation Parish, we use it as a processional chant during the presentation of the gifts.

Parish Life

ECCE QUAM BONUM: On Holy Thursday, **Erik Andrew Carvajal** received First Eucharist. At the Easter Vigil, **Curtis Martin, Douglas Thomas and Gary Hopkins** were received into full communion in the Church and received the Sacraments of Confirmation and the Eucharist.

MAY PARISH NECROLOGY: On the anniversaries of their deaths, please remember in your prayers the following parishioners: **William M. Jarboe** (04 May 2009), **Helene Walker** (21 May 2006), **G. Alan Hellowell** (22 May 2006), and **Roberto R. Martin** (31 May 1997).

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



ADULT CONFIRMATION: Cardinal Donald Wuerl will administer the Sacrament of Confirmation during Mass on Pentecost Sunday, 12 June 2011, 3:00 p.m. at the Cathedral of Saint Matthew the Apostle, 1725 Rhode Island Avenue, NW, Washington, DC. This celebration is for adult Catholics who have not yet received the Sacrament of Confirmation. Individuals who are practicing Catholics and are interested in receiving the sacrament should **contact the parish office as soon as possible (301/948-5536 x109)** to learn what is required to receive the sacrament.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY: Please consider volunteering for Divine Mercy Sunday weekend at the National Shrine of the Divine Mercy in Stockbridge, MA on April 30 – May 1, 2011. We have many areas in which to volunteer including sign language, crowd control, usher, and others. For more information, please email us at volunteers@marian.org, visit us at www.thedivinemercy.org/volunteers or call us at 413-298-1242.

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**

EASTER SUNDAY

Baptism. The next class will be **Saturday, 14 May, 10:00 a.m. in the Church.** Attendance during pregnancy is encouraged. For further information, call the parish office, (301) 948-5536 x 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 mass, call the parish office to arrange for visitation and Communion in your home.

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

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.

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.



ROSARIES: During the month of May, blessed rosaries will be available in a basket placed at the statue of the Blessed Mother. If you are in need of a rosary, please feel free to take one. If you have extra rosaries at home, you may place them in the basket for others to use.

Faith Formation for Life

SCRIPTURE STUDY: A study of the readings for the Second Sunday of Easter, will be on Tuesday, 26 April, 10:00 a.m., in the Barn.

WEEKLY SCRIPTURE STUDY: During the Easter Season, the weekly scripture study will be included as a flyer in the weekly bulletin.

VACATION BIBLE CAMP REGISTRATION CHANGE: Three and ½ year olds through 5th graders are

invited to register for either session of VBC. Previously, 3 ½ year olds could only register for the second session. Join us for **"PANDAMANIA"**, a totally Catholic VBC where God is wild about you! Registration is ongoing. Contact Michele Olewack in the parish office at (301) 948-5536 x107. The Bible Camp fun will be held in two sessions: June 20th through June 24th and June 27th through July 1st, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the church. The fee is \$100.00 per week for an OLVP parishioner and \$120.00 per week for a non-parishioner.

Social Concerns



CARDINAL'S APPEAL UPDATE: As of 01 April 2011, parishioners have pledged \$81,818.00 to the Cardinal's Appeal which is 99% of our targeted goal of \$82,329. To date, \$50,093.50 of the pledged amount has been collected. **If you would like to make a pledge to help us meet our goal, a pledge envelope can be obtained from the presider/usher after mass or by contacting the parish office at (301) 948-5536 x108.** Thank you for your generosity.

HURTING FROM AN ABORTION? Come and get the healing that you need. In a retreat full of compassion and love, Rachel's Vineyard Ministries and Centro Tepeyac invite you to attend a healing weekend starting on 29 April 2011 from Friday evening until Sunday afternoon. Strict confidentiality! **THERE IS HOPE!** For further information contact www.rachelsvineyard.org, 1-877-HOPE-4-ME (877-467-3463) or call Deborah at 240-423-6082.

WANT TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE? Consider joining the Shady Grove Pregnancy Center's team as a diaper & formula coordinator. Work behind the scenes. Organize, sort, and restock donations of diapers and formula. Commitment: 3 daytime hours per week average. Physically active. Call Jackie Stippich, Director at 301/963-6223.



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

Human Resources

PARISH OFFICE HOURS: Regular office hours are Monday – Friday, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The office is closed during the lunch hour, 12:00 noon to 1:00 p.m.

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

EMAIL ADDRESS: To receive announcements and messages about parish activities, please send your email address to parishoffice@olvp.org with the subject line: **email**.

NEWSLETTER: The OLVP spring newsletter was mailed recently. Please contact the parish office at (301) 948-5536 x108 if you did not receive your copy.

Facilities



PARISH REPAIR: If you see a needed repair around the parish, please call the parish office at (301) 948-5536 x103 and report the problem so we can get it fixed.

Finance

MORTGAGE REDUCTION COLLECTION: The May mortgage reduction collection will be taken on 30 April and 01 May 2011. Thank you for your generosity

FAITH DIRECT: In May, Faith Direct will be sending parishioners, both enrolled and non-enrolled, a letter with additional information about the benefits of using Faith Direct. Join the many parishioners who have already enrolled in Faith Direct for automated giving to Our Lady of the Visitation. Faith Direct is secure and convenient. There is no cost to you, and the program provides a great benefit to our parish. Sign up today by visiting www.faithdirect.net. Our parish code is MD114. You may also pick up an enrollment form from the presider/deacon after mass, from the parish office (301) 948-5536 x108 or by calling Faith Direct's toll-free number, (866) 507-8757 for more information.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

April

- 25 Mon Parish Office Closed
- 26 Tue Scripture Study, 10:00 a.m., Barn
- 30 Sat Mortgage Reduction Collection

May

- 01 Sun Mortgage Reduction Collection
High School Faith Formation
6:30 p.m. -7:45 p.m., Fr. Ray's House
- 03 Tue Scripture Study, 10:00 a.m., Barn
- 05 Thu Holy Hour, 7:00 – 8:00 p.m., Barn
- 07 Sat Catholic Relief Services Collection
- 08 Sun Catholic Relief Services Collection
- 10 Tue Scripture Study, 10:00 a.m., Barn
- 14 Sat 10:00 a.m. Baptism Prep Class, Church
5:00 p.m. Mass – Visit by Dr. Mortel,
Haiti Project
- 15 Sun 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Masses –
Visit by Dr. Mortel, Haiti Project
Refreshments after 9:00 a.m. mass
- 16 Mon **Confirmation Practice, 7:00 p.m., Church**
- 17 Tue Scripture Study, 10:00 a.m., Barn
- 21 Sat St. Martin's Food Collection –
Bags Distributed
- 22 Sun **Confirmation, 2:00 p.m.**
The Most Rev. Barry C. Knestout
St. Martin's Food Collection –
Bags Distributed
- 24 Tue Scripture Study, 10:00 a.m., Barn
- 28 Sat St. Martin's Food Collection –
Bags Returned
- 29 Sun St. Martin's Food Collection –
Bags Returned
- 31 Tue Scripture Study, 10:00 a.m., Barn
**Sacred Liturgy, Parish 20th Anniversary
7:00 p.m., Church**

June

- 02 Thu Holy Hour, 7:00 – 8:00 p.m., Barn
- 04 Sat Mortgage Reduction Collection
- 05 Sun **Ascension of our Lord
Parish Picnic 20th Anniversary
Celebration**
Mortgage Reduction Collection
- 07 Tue Scripture Study, 10:00 a.m., Barn

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